

POPLAR BLUFF PLANS
\$175,000 'Y' BUILDING

Poplar Bluff, May 20.—H. H. Horn, State Secretary, and T. M. Montgomery, traveling secretary of railroad Y. M. C. A. in the Southwest division, are in Poplar Bluff making preparations for a campaign for funds to start construction of a new Y. M. C. A. building to replace the one partially wrecked by the tornado of May 9. The new building will cost approximately \$175,000.

Secretary A. D. Reeder and the Citizens' Committee sponsoring this work hope to see actual construction started in 90 days, it was said today.

The present Y. M. C. A. property will be sold, and the new building will be located on the corner of Cedar and Second streets, occupying one-quarter of a block.

This is merely one of the building ventures planned since the tornado. A new school in East Poplar Bluff is to be constructed during the summer months. J. H. Wolpers, president of the Board of Education, says an effort will be made to have that building ready for occupancy by October 1.

A new Frisco Railroad depot building, to cost approximately \$50,000, will be started in the next two weeks. The Frisco recently purchased the Butler County Railroad lines, from Poplar Bluff to Piggott, Ark., and the two stations will be consolidated.

A special election, calling for a \$300,000 bond issue for construction of a new courthouse, will be held sometime in July, according to present plans. The shell of the old courthouse will be dynamited soon, B. F. Davenport, Presiding Judge of the County Court, says.

Two other buildings, started prior to the tornado, will be rushed to completion. They are the new \$85,000 Presbyterian Church and the Brandon Hospital, to cost in the vicinity of \$100,000.

The Ducker Hotel, damaged greatly by the storm, is being rebuilt. Unconfirmed reports are that the Ducker company has purchased the site of the ill-fated New Melbourne, where 18 persons were killed in the tornado. Walter Ducker refused to comment on the reported purchase. The New Melbourne was located at the rear of the Ducker. Reports are that Ducker will construct a large addition to his hotel.

With hotel facilities here extremely limited, due to virtually every hotel being wrecked or damaged by the tornado, many citizens have offered rooms in private homes for people who are unable to get rooms in the few hotels remaining.

All of the thirty or more large business buildings in the down-town district, damaged by the tornado, are either under course of rebuilding, or plans are being made for their reconstruction at an early date.

The Poplar Bluff Elks Lodge has received for \$10,000 from the grand lodge in Philadelphia and will rebuild its home at once. The Elks Home here was one of the finest club buildings in South Missouri.

The local lodges of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias, owners of the Fraternal Building, which was wrecked by the tornado, have finance committees at work and hope to let the contracts for construction of a three-story brick building within thirty days.

"It took us sixty years to build Poplar Bluff. It took less than sixty seconds for the tornado to wreck it, and I hope that within sixty days every building damaged or wrecked, will be in the course of reconstruction", says Mayor John W. Berryman.

V. B. HEISLER OF SIKESTON
SUED FOR \$7500 DAMAGES

A case has been filed in the Scott County Circuit Court wherein Helen Potts, aged 14 years, by next best friend, is suing V. B. Heisler for \$7,500 personal injuries alleged to have been inflicted when plaintiff ran a car against an automobile in which she was riding as guest. The accident occurred February 13, this year, at Sikeston.—Benton Democrat.

President of Men's Club

Columbia, May 22.—David E. Blanton of Sikeston has been elected president of the Class of '30 Men's Club at the University of Missouri. John Fellows of Columbia is vice president, and Ralph George of St. Louis is secretary-treasurer.

The use of the shell of fresh-water clams in button making is causing the species to vanish.

ANNOUNCE APPROACHING
MARRIAGE OF DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Alexander announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Maud, to Mr. David N. Thompson of Caruthersville, the ceremony to take place on Thursday, June 2d at four o'clock p. m. at the home of the bride's parents, 410 East Commercial St. Rev. Elbert D. Owen, pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city officiating.

This wedding will be one of the most important social events of the season, and will be of interest throughout Southeast Missouri.

Miss Alexander was reared in this city and has been a social favorite. She graduated from Charleston High School in the class of 1921, from Stephens College in 1923, from the State University in 1925. She was president of the Gamma Phi Beta.

For the past two years she has been one of the faculty of the Sikeston schools.

Mr. Thompson is the son of Major and Mrs. Elbert Thompson of Butler, Mo. He is a graduate of Missouri University. He was president of Delta Tau. He served in the World War. The young couple will spend their honeymoon on the Great Lakes. They will make their home in Caruthersville, where Mr. Thompson is a prominent young business man.—Charles-Ton Times.

RURAL MAIL CARRIERS
TO MEET IN SIKESTON

Annual Southeast Missouri meeting of Rural Mail Carriers will be held at Sikeston, Fair Ground Park, Monday, May 30.

Assurance of a larger attendance caused Executive Board to change meeting from Cape Girardeau to Sikeston, this year.

Meeting will open promptly at 10 a. m. with Address of Welcome by Mayor Fuchs of Sikeston. Response by a Southeast Missouri Rural Carrier.

Speakers who will address the carried body in the forenoon are Ex-Congressman Ralph E. Bailey and Maj. C. L. Malone, President Sikeston Chamber of Commerce. Congressman James F. Fulbright's presence will be urged, and one or more state officers will be present.

This is a family meeting and wives of the carriers will also attend with well filled baskets. Postmasters are honorary members and are expected to attend.

The afternoon session will start promptly at 1 p. m. and a Postal Inspector will address the Carriers.

Next will come Election of Delegates to State Convention at Cameron, July 15-16. Election of officers for Southeast Missouri Association. Meeting will close with contests or all.

Every Rural Carrier in Southeast Missouri is urged to attend and help make this meeting 100 per cent, as do our brother carriers in other parts of the state. Now brother carriers this is your meeting and Service is our motto. Show your Red blood and BE THERE.—Committee.

HOUSE AND BARN BURN AT
VANDUSER—HOTEL AFIRE

Sunday afternoon about 3 o'clock the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Gober in east Vanduser caught fire and in a short time was reduced to ashes. The family was sitting down stairs and heard roaring and crackling overhead. It was discovered that the fire had made good headway and only five pieces of furniture were saved. A barn across the road caught fire and was also burned. The high wind Sunday afternoon made fire fighting a difficult task.

The same day the Armstrong Hotel at Vanduser caught fire from a cigarette in a waste paper basket. The flames were confined to one room and were extinguished.—Benton Democrat.

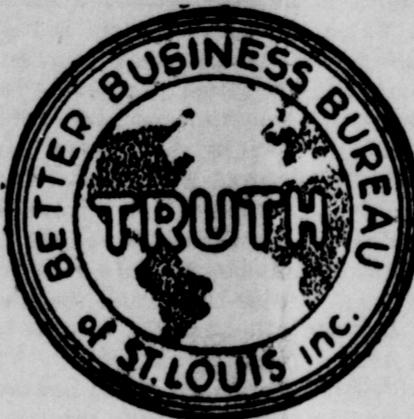
TEACHERS' EXAMINATION

This regular June examination for teachers will be held in the public school building in Benton on Friday and Saturday, June 3 and 4. Examinations start promptly at 8 o'clock a. m.

J. H. GOODIN,
County Superintendent

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reed and daughter and Mrs. Ruth Malone and sons were Poplar Bluff visitors, Sunday.

Lynn Finley, who has been a very sick lad for the past six weeks with typhoid fever, is slowly recovering, being now able to sit up a short time each day.—Jack Post.



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—in your purchases
—in your investments

Some people have the idea that thrift simply means the putting away of money.

Of course the main idea of thrift is to do that very thing, but there are many ways in which money can be saved besides merely putting it away.

In its daily effort to protect the public, the Better Business Bureau comes in contact with many schemes that tend to destroy thrift—both in purchases and investments.

Practice thrift by refusing to join a suit club, to accept a free lot, to start an endless chain or to purchase inferior merchandise under the guise of misrepresentation or deception. If you want to know more about these schemes, ask us.

In making your investments, always remember the slogan of the Bureau: "Before You Invest—Investigate."

Any reputable institution will gladly confer with you on any of your purchasing or investing problems.

You can go to any of them or come to us, and be served without cost or obligation.

That's the practical way in which to practice Thrift.

"BEFORE YOU INVEST—INVESTIGATE"

The BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU
of SAINT LOUIS, Inc.WISCONSIN HOUSE VOTES
TO LEGALIZE HOME BREWING

Madison, Wis., May 19.—The lower House of the State Assembly today passed Assemblyman Duncan's "bill of rights for the home brewer" by a vote of 56 to 34. The bill would legalize the manufacture of beer of 2.75 per cent alcoholic content by persons in their homes.

Byron Bowman left Friday for Hot Springs, Ark., on a business trip. Misses Mildred Bowman and Catherine Blanton went to Poplar Bluff with him and drove his car back.

Thousands of railroad ties and cedar poles were carried away by the recent floods on White, Black and Current Rivers. At Cotter, on White River, it is estimated that 30,000 ties were carried down the stream. Eighty per cent of them will be salvaged when they are picked from the drifts and islands down the river. Thousands of cedar posts already have been salvaged on White River. These cedar posts are sawed into pencil stocks for the manufacture of lead pencils.—West Plains Gazette.

The Post last week reported that a corps of surveyors was at work again surveying a different location for No. 61 east of Jackson. Since then it has been learned that the recent high water in Williams Creek has created some doubt in the minds of road engineers about the feasibility of where the location had heretofore been made but rather crossing the creek about 300 feet south of the present bridge, running the road south of the gravel road and crossing the ridge on the Hobs hill. It would mean a relocation of the route from the Boon farm to the other end of the county farm. Owing to the heavy rain Friday the survey could not be completed Saturday, as planned, and Sunday was used to finish the work. In a few days it will be known whether the change will be made, which we doubt, as Cape township has already bought and paid for some right-of-way which would become useless. It was also stated that another reason for the new survey was to see whether a route with cheaper right-of-way could not be found, and were informed that with this in view another survey would be made south of town.—Jack Post.

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BUILDING GOOD CITIZENS

Perhaps there would be less concern about American youth if due consideration were given the fact that wholesome and constructive agencies having to do with youth were never more prominent than today. There is a reminder of this fact in the preparations that are being made for summer recreation and training of many classes of young people. For example, there are citizens' military training camps which are to be opened at various points in the country in the next few months.

From year to year these camps have been appealing to large numbers of young men. The instruction, discipline, outdoor recreation and other advantages they offer make them a unique opportunity for many thousands of youths ranging in age from 17 to 31 years. The opportunity is restricted to no particular class or group. The requirements for admission, within the limits of facilities, are simply physical fitness, good moral character, and American citizenship, or at least the expressed desire to become a citizen of this country. A particular effort has been made to preserve the democratic spirit of these camps. There is no distinction with respect to wealth or social position, race or creed. They are intended for Americans and are designed to teach the principles of Americanism.

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MISSOURI HAD WETTEST
APRIL IN SIXTY YEARS

Columbia, May 21.—The wettest weather in sixty years obtained in Missouri during the month of April, said the monthly crop and weather report, issued here today by George Reeder, government meteorologist.

The month's weather also was featured by unusual mildness during the first twenty days and by the cool snap which occurred from April 20 to 25 resulting in general frosts and freezes. These were most severe in the Ozark region, where fruits were more advanced. An unusual number of thunderstorms and high winds also occurred during the month.

The monthly mean temperature for the state, based on records of sixty-eight weather recording stations, was 57.7 degrees, or 2.6 degrees warmer than the average temperature of April a year ago. The excess warmth has general, being somewhat more marked in the Ozark region, where a freeze occurred on April 21 and April 22. Almost no damage to fruit was done in the north and central sections, however, where the temperatures were not so low and where the vegetation was less advanced.

The average precipitation for the state during the month was 8.46 inches, or 4.73 inches greater than the average for the past fifty-six years. An unusual number of rainstorms occurred, especially between April 5 and 21, ranging from 4 inches at Hannibal to 18 inches at Hollister. There was an average of 12 inches of precipitation in the southeast lowlands and nearly 10 inches in other southern sections. The rainfall in the southeastern sections since January 1 exceeds the normal by nearly 200 per cent.

Thundershows and high winds occurred at a number of cities. A little sleet was recorded at Grant City on April 20 and snow flurries were noticeable at Jackson on April 24. Northeast Missouri, from Boone County to Adair, and east to the Mississippi River, was visited by excessive rain. At Macon creeks were washed out and train schedules stopped, roads made impassable and all creeks went out of their banks. Monroe City also suffered from hail damage. Boone, Callaway, Audrain, Lincoln and Pike Counties were visited by tornadoes during the month.

DRIVER OF UNKNOWN CAR
BREAKS NEGRO BOY'S HIP

A 12-year-old negro boy by the name of Levan, living on one of the McMullin farms, west of McMullin station, was run over by a Ford car near the People's Bank corner Saturday evening, breaking the right hip bone. The car never stopped after hitting the boy, but drove rapidly away. Dr. Mayfield set the thigh bone and the boy was taken home. Dr. Mayfield was told by a negro man who saw the accident, that the boy had started across the street, but fell for some reason, and the car ran over him with the above results.

It seems strange that when such accidents happen, the driver should run away without any thought of offering assistance. Hope the driver can be apprehended and punished for running away.

FATHER MOENING WILL
LEAVE NEW HAMBURG

Rev. E. Moenig, who for the past years has been in charge of the Catholic parish at New Hamburg, has been transferred to Taos in Osage County. He will be succeeded by Rev. H. J. Eggemann, who for the past five years has been the pastor at Jackson.

The parish at New Hamburg is much larger than the one at Jackson and the change is considered a promotion for Father Eggemann. While at Jackson he has built a new parish house, and maintained the parish school, being one of the teachers.—Cape Missourian.

I. R. Kelso came down from St. Louis Friday morning and spent a few hours in this city on business, and took advantage of the opportunity to visit a while with old friends. He was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Rev. H. N. McKee, pastor of the Christian Church at Montgomery City, who was formerly pastor of the Christian Church at Cape Girardeau. The Standard acknowledged a social call from these gentlemen, also from the resident manager of Cape Girardeau Light Plant and C. E. Brenton, manager in Southeast Missouri for the Missouri Utilities Co. Mr. Kelso is attorney for the light people and is visiting the property in this section.

Mary Margaret, the 14-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gentry of this city, died at a Memphis Hospital at 1:00 a. m. Wednesday last, of pneumonia. The little one had just been through an operation and pneumonia swiftly followed. The little body was laid away in Memorial Park Cemetery Thursday. Friends and acquaintances extend sympathy to the young couple.

Almost 150 uses have been found for peanuts.

CORRESPONDENCE
FROM MOREHOUSE

Fred Leming is selling his effects preparatory to moving to California.

The following students will leave next week to take up summer school work at Cape Girardeau Normal: Mrs. Lillian Grossman, Thelma Reynolds, Nellie Reynolds, Willie Merrick, Helen Murier and Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Cain.

Rev. W. C. Swope of Charleston opened a revival meeting at the M. E. Church Sunday, which is expected to last for two weeks. Meetings for business men will be held daily at the Tokio theatre at 2:00 o'clock.

Supt. A. W. Deneke is visiting homefolks at Cape Girardeau this week.

Wm. Crumpecker sold a carload of hay to the Red Cross for relief supply at Libourn.

Laura Murphy Gregory, a former student in poultry in vocational agriculture, is putting her studies to practice. She has 550 young chickens on her farm which are doing well.

A baptism was held at the Baptist church last week with Mrs. O. Travilhon, Ruth Patterson, two Moccabees and several others receiving emersion.

The Nazarene Church is reroofing their church. At dollar meetings for the past two weeks they raised \$138.33 with which to pay for the roof.

A fine baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson on Friday, May 20.

Derris Lewis and Rev. A. W. Doss of Bertrand were fishing guests Saturday, catching a good string.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL
ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURIEntered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,
Scott County, Missouri, as second-class
mail matter, according to act of
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Display advertising, per single column inch, net.....25c
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While positions are not so very plentiful with good salaries attached, The Standard wishes to speak a word for the boys and girls who have just graduated. If you can possible use one or more of them until they can make other business connections, you will be doing them and the public a very great service. Then there are a great many who would like employment through the vacation season. The Standard will print, without charge, help wanted notices and help secure places for them.

The editor of The Standard is greatly impressed with aims of the Auxiliary of the American Legion just organized in Sikeston. To assist widows and orphans of World War veterans, to visit the sick, to render assistance in times of distress, to be ready at any time to work for the betterment of the community. Isn't this a wonderful aim, and combined, is of real worth. To visit the sick is a sufficient aim to give satisfaction, encouragement and joy to all concerned. As a whole, or as individuals, we are not free enough with our visits to the sick. Time drags heavy to the afflicted and if nothing more is accomplished, words of cheer and good wishes, mean more than medicine in many cases. It should be a pleasure to those enjoying good health to cast a ray of sunshine to our less fortunate neighbors.

It sometimes costs little to suggest. The Farmers Supply building is soon to be remodeled and brought up to date. The old awnings will be replaced by the hanging awnings similar to those at the Young building and the Derris building. Now the suggestion. It would look mighty nice if all the old unsightly sheet iron awnings could be taken away and the hanging awnings substituted. It would likewise be very attractive if the big barn door signs could be removed and neat signs on the corner of the plate glass windows substituted. There is no discussion up on this subject, but it would add much to attractiveness of our business section if such changes could be made.

What a contrast between the graduates of the Eight Grade with their beautiful dresses, and the High School graduates with the dingy, unbecoming gowns, that might have last been worn by negro graduates. The handsomest of the graduates were unprettily with the shrouds of the dead past. The time of all times that the girl graduates would like to look her best, is at graduating time—and she didn't.

NEVER WROTE IT

Simon Loeb ought to be ashamed of himself to try to put such a verse off on an old man who is straining his eyesight every day.

Mary had a little dress
A trifle light and airy;
It didn't show the dirt a bit,
But gosh, how it showed Mary.

—Capper's Weekly.

Mary had a little lamb

It's fleece was white, you know!
There was much in Mary's clothes,
And much of Mary showed.

—Charley Blanton.

The large class of graduates at our High School Thursday should make Sikeston and community proud that we have such a school and such school officials. It is seldom that any city the size of Sikeston has so many boys and girls that continue through the four-year course. This is due largely to the understanding that young America must have education in order to be able to cope with the problems that confront them. This is due, too, to the splendorous feeling existing between pupils and faculty. While this makes us feel proud, it was with greater pride that we witnessed the class of 84 boys and girls pass around the auditorium and receive their cards of admission to the High School. The large audience present voiced the pride by loud applause. We old fellows, who witnessed these exercises, can feel assured that out of all these young folks, many will make outstanding citizens.

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Here is a story that ought to induce some people we know to get a little action on their money. "How much did Old Jim leave?" asked the local reporter of Old Jim's next of kin. "Every damn cent he had", the next of kin replied. Since we can't take any of our coin away with us, why keep on denying ourselves the comforts and advantages a little of it would buy?

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Our friend Ed Crowe of the Dexter Statesman has returned home from Hot Springs where he 'biled' out, hoping to get rid of the cause of carbuncles. He says he had an uneventful trip back home but he shook some when crossing bridges or trestles when land was not to be seen anywhere. We hope he arrived home in good shape and he will be carefully looked after. If not, then we're going to sick Charley Blanton onto him.—Charleston Times.

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We heard a hard-boiled citizen say the reason "Beauty Parlors" were not more successful, was: the prospect saw them first and wondered why they did not try their art at home.

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A Monroe county citizen recently said to the Appeal editor: "I would hate to see American farmers reduced to the peasant standards of Europe". Economically, they already have been. Everybody gets protection, guarantees or special advantages of other sorts, except the farmer. Worse still, the favored industries add their tax payments to the price of their commodities and pass it down to the ultimate consumer, who mostly lives on farms, so the man in the rural district not only carries his own burdens but also those parties who manufacture his clothing and machinery, and those who transport these articles to his locality.

A very disquieting feature of the situation is that the submissive disposition characteristic of the European peasant is being imbibed by the American farmer. He hardly ever protests. He seldom encourages a revolt. He grumbles a bit when he pays his taxes but seems indisposed to do anything about it. This accounts in a measure for increases that are made in tax levies from time to time, when decreases might otherwise be the rule. No relief need be expected until the farmer, who now is so docile, shows a tendency to go on a rampage and thus puts the fear of God into the hearts of men who attain to places of authority by virtue of his vote.—Paris Appeal.

There is a sundial in Druid Hill Park, Baltimore, of polyhedral type, each face indicating the sun time in some distant city.

MISS DOROTHY SCHWAB
HAPPY IN HOSPITAL

The editor is in receipt of a letter from Dorothy Schwab of Sikeston, who is in the Shriners' Hospital, St. Louis, being treated for crippled feet. She is but 12 years of age and is a mighty good soldier. We feel the public of Sikeston is interested in this little miss, hence we print her letter:

Dear Mr. Blanton:

I thank you very much for sending me The Sikeston Standard. How are you and Mrs. Blanton? I am getting along just fine. It sure is a nice place up here. We had two or three storms while I was here, but no damage done or no one hurt. The nurses are very kind to me. I am sorry I did not write sooner, but we up patients have to run all over the ward for the bed patients until 9:00, then we take a glass of buttermilk and go to school. We return at 10:30 a. m., then we help the teacher that comes down in this ward and as I am in the highest grade of all the up patients, I have to do the most work. We go to bed at 12 until 2:00, then we get up and drink a glass of cocoa and go to school until 3:30 p. m. But we have a good time up here. Today a girl got two angel food cakes and enough ice cream for the whole ward as it was her birthday.

We up patients have to take turns about in going into the cubicle for there is not enough room in the ward, so Bonnie Wilson and I are in the cubicle now. Gee, it is fun. Guess I will have to close, as I do not know any news.

Your loving friend,
DOROTHY SCHWAB.

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As a writer Colonel Switzler has earned the title of the "Historian of Missouri", and the "Nestor of the Press". His most outstanding work is his "History of Missouri" which is recognized as a standard and authentic work. His "History of Boone County" is also a valuable contribution. The History of the University of Missouri, upon which Colonel Switzler worked up to the time of his death, has never been published. The manuscript is in the possession of the University at Columbia. It is said that Colonel Switzler possessed so remarkable a memory that, without using an reference book whatever, he could have written an accurate history of this state.

He was married in 1843 to Miss Mary Jane Royal, a niece of General Sterling Price. They had three children, two sons and one daughter.

As a politician, dissimulation and trickery were unknown to him, and his many years of active participation in this field brought no slight stigma to his name; as a writer, no uncleanness or venom ever came from his pen, in spite of the fact that he vigorously upheld the principles in which he believed and as vigorously attacked those to which he could not give his support.

The life of this eminent Missourian bears out the statement of the philosopher that "the only true history is biography".

The Atchison County Mail prints the following story, and as Editor Stapel vouches for it, its truthfulness is not questioned: "A certain Atchison County young man was speeding merrily along the road the other day when he caught up with a party of children on their way to school. He asked them if they cared to ride and for an answer they piled into his Ford, until it was so completely filled that one little girl had to sit on the driver's lap. She was a plump little thing and to keep her away from the steering wheel and not interfere with driving the car, the driver cuddled her close. They started talking. 'Do you like school?' he asked her. 'Yes, sir', she lisped. 'Do you go every day?' 'I haven't missed a day this year', the little girl replied. 'Good little girl!' said the driver kissing her soft cheek. 'Do you like your teacher?' 'Yes, sir', said the girl, 'I'm the teacher.' And the Ford dashed near went into the ditch.

An Agile Ceylonese can climb a 90-foot Areca palm in ten seconds.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Floyd C. Shoemaker

The long and useful life of Colonel William Franklin Switzler, Missouri journalist, author, politician, exemplary citizen, and public official, came to a close on May 24, 1906, twenty-one years ago this week, at his home in Columbia.

Born in Fayette county, Kentucky on March 16, 1819 Colonel Switzler came to Fayette, Howard county, Missouri with his father in 1826. Few educational opportunities were offered him as a boy but by diligent home study he acquired a good education. He was, throughout life, a scholar and a friend of education. Under the supervision of Judge Abiel Leonard and James S. Rollins he pursued the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1842.

Shortly before this time, however, he had been drawn into newspaper work, for in 1841 he had become editor of the Columbia Patriot, the successor of The Missouri Intelligencer and Boone's Lick Advertiser. In 1843 he began the publication of the Missouri Statesman, which he continued to publish during the next forty-six years.

In addition to wielding a strong political influence through the columns of his newspaper, he took an even more active part in politics as an office holder. Prior to the war, as a member of the Whig party, he was three times elected to the Missouri House of Representatives in 1846, 1848 and 1856. During the war Col. Switzler was a decided though conservative Unionist. He later became a member of the Democratic party and was twice that party's choice as candidate to the National House of Representatives, in 1855 and 1868. Each time he was elected by a fairly large majority but the Radical secretary of state "went behind the returns" and each time gave the election to the Colonel's opponent. The elections were contested by Colonel Switzler without success.

Colonel Switzler was one of the few men who served the state in both the Constitutional Conventions of 1855 and 1865. The state will ever remain his debtor for the services which he rendered it in this capacity, especially with reference to education.

In 1855 he was appointed by President Cleveland as chief of the bureau of statistics, an office which he ably filled.

His military title of "Colonel" was acquired in 1863 when he was appointed by President Lincoln, whose election he had opposed, as provost marshal of the ninth congressional district of Missouri.

As a writer Colonel Switzler has earned the title of the "Historian of Missouri", and the "Nestor of the Press". His most outstanding work is his "History of Missouri" which is recognized as a standard and authentic work. His "History of Boone County" is also a valuable contribution. The History of the University of Missouri, upon which Colonel Switzler worked up to the time of his death, has never been published. The manuscript is in the possession of the University at Columbia. It is said that Colonel Switzler possessed so remarkable a memory that, without using an reference book whatever, he could have written an accurate history of this state.

He was married in 1843 to Miss Mary Jane Royal, a niece of General Sterling Price. They had three children, two sons and one daughter.

As a politician, dissimulation and trickery were unknown to him, and his many years of active participation in this field brought no slight stigma to his name; as a writer, no uncleanness or venom ever came from his pen, in spite of the fact that he vigorously upheld the principles in which he believed and as vigorously attacked those to which he could not give his support.

The life of this eminent Missourian bears out the statement of the philosopher that "the only true history is biography".

The Atchison County Mail prints the following story, and as Editor Stapel vouches for it, its truthfulness is not questioned: "A certain Atchison County young man was speeding merrily along the road the other day when he caught up with a party of children on their way to school. He asked them if they cared to ride and for an answer they piled into his Ford, until it was so completely filled that one little girl had to sit on the driver's lap. She was a plump little thing and to keep her away from the steering wheel and not interfere with driving the car, the driver cuddled her close. They started talking. 'Do you like school?' he asked her. 'Yes, sir', she lisped. 'Do you go every day?' 'I haven't missed a day this year', the little girl replied. 'Good little girl!' said the driver kissing her soft cheek. 'Do you like your teacher?' 'Yes, sir', said the girl, 'I'm the teacher.' And the Ford dashed near went into the ditch.

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The De Cane Shop of Sikeston will soon be but a pleasant memory to the patrons of this up-to-the-minute ladies' ready-to-wear establishment, as Miss Jo Menner, the manager, will return to St. Louis and join her sister, Mrs. Thomas, who is the manufacturer of the lines carried by the De Cane Shop. This store was established by Mrs. De Cane and her daughter, Miss Persis, who were forced by the ill health of Mrs. De Cane to sell to Mrs. Thomas, who sent her sister down to manage same. Miss Menner has been a splendid citizen and an artist in her line and she and the De Cane Shop will be missed by shoppers for miles around. The Standard wishes Miss Menner success in whatever field she enters and hope some day that she will return to Sikeston and be one of us.

A man who had buried three wives became engaged to marry a fourth time. One day he invited the prospective number four to a drive. He drove her to a cemetery. There he pointed to a row of three neatly kept graves, marked by rather pretentious headstones. "These", said he, "are the graves of my three deceased wives. I want to show you how I still cherish the memory of my wives even after death has taken them from me". Then the man about to enter upon his fourth term as husband drove the bride-to-be to his home. After escorting her through the various rooms, he remarked—"If there is anything in any of these rooms you do not like, you can get rid of it and furnish the house throughout to suit yourself. Only one thing I do not want changed or disturbed, and that is this closet". Opening the clothes closet referred to, he exposed to view three women's hats on a shelf. "Each of these hats", he explained, "was a favorite of one of my deceased wives and I keep them as sentimental tokens of my wives. The hats are very dear to me". "I respect your sentiment", replied prospect number four, "and I assure you the hats will not be disturbed. I want to inform you, however, that the next hat that goes into that closet will be a derby".—De Soto Press.

Headline in Sunday's Globe-Democrat: "French Girls Trade Intuition for Logic".

Senator Carter M. Burford was one of the seven Democrats, who deserted the caucuses and voted to confirm Dr. Enloe as head of the prison board. The fact about these bolters and the reason for their actions is gradually coming out. In Sunday Kansas City Journal Post the Jefferson City correspondent says: There are numerous cases of relatives of legislators being placed on the state payroll. Two sons of Senator Carter M. Burford of Ellington, one of the 7 Democrat senators bolted the party caucus and voted for confirmation of the Enloe board. The state auditor approved a claim May 2 for Wilbur Burford for \$600 as a clerk for the state eleemosynary board. The salary was at the rate of \$200 a month for January, February and March while the legislature was in session. It is understood that Burford is employed by the board at one of the state hospitals. A. A. Burford is carried as a clerk in the state automobile department at \$150 a month.—Illino Jimpluice.

Local and Personal

Jenalee Sells is visiting in Mattheus.

Miss Nell Gilbert is visiting in Poplar Bluff.

Mrs. W. R. Burks is visiting in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. Jas. Moccabee has gone to St. Louis to consult a specialist.

Judge Gupton of Morley was a business visitor in Sikeston, Monday.

Miss Greenough, of the St. Louis Division of the Red Cross, is in Sikeston.

Mrs. Ancil Bomer and babe of St. Louis are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman.

Mrs. D. E. Woods of St. Louis will spend the week with Mr. and Mrs. James Kevli.

Bob Anderson returned from Commerce, accompanied by his aunt, Mrs. Tillman Anderson.

Mrs. Fred Bowman and son, John Frederick, Jr., are visiting relatives in Cape Girardeau.

Miss Letta Todd of Palmyra, Mo., is the guest of Mrs. E. E. Arterburn and Miss Ruby Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson were in Poplar Bluff, Sunday.

Mrs. A. B. Proffer was called to Dexter Sunday on account of the serious illness of her mother.

E. W. Davis of this city is quite all at home from heart trouble. He is reported some improved on Monday morning.

The Young Women's Missionary Circle of the Christian Church will meet with Mrs. Moore Greer Wednesday night.

The Cape Girardeau D. A. R. has invited the Sikeston Chapter to a meeting at the Country Club Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Ruskin Cook and Miss Mary Beth Wright returned to St. Louis Sunday after a visit with Mrs. Maude Stubbs and family.

Mrs. John Fox and Miss Rebecca Pierce will go to St. Louis for the W. A. Convention to be held at the Statler Hotel Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Dorothy Lillard returned to her home in Arlington, Ky., Saturday, accompanied by G. B. Greer, Jr., and Bill Van Horne, who will visit in Arlington for a week.

The ladies of the Christian church will meet Thursday afternoon to organize a Missionary Society. The ladies of the Matthews' Christian church are invited to attend the meeting.

Mary Washington, a 11-year-old colored girl living near Canalou on X. Caverino's farm, found a dynamite cap in a closet and not knowing the dangerous quality of same, proceeded to scratch it with a knife, when it exploded, injuring both of her hands. This occurred Thursday of last week. Dr. T. C. McClure is attending the case and says she will be o. k. soon.

Among the Cape Girardeau visitors Sunday, were: Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Stallup, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Coleman, Miss Pauline Moore of Charleston, Dr. H. E. Reuber, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews and children, John Tanner Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Sensenbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Randal Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher.

Quite a crowd went to Birds Point last Wednesday evening to go on the Steamer Capitol excursion, but on account of the high wind and threatening clouds the boat remained at the Point, where the following Sikeston folks enjoyed the dancing on the boat: Misses Lillian and Louise Shields, Francoise Black, Martha Gresham, Nel and Ruth Gilbert, Thelma Carson, Charles Hebbeler, Prof. Graneman, Jack Stubbs, Mort Griffith, Albert Bruton, Joe Albright, Bill Baker, Byron Crain, Hildreth Dill, Bill Smith, Billy Walker, Mr. and Mrs. V. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Jennings.

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Mrs. Mason, who was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Americus Gasaway, pioneer residents of Southern Illinois, was born in 1837. The family home at that time was in Williamson County, near Gen. Logan's home.

She was a member of Trinity M. E. Church and Custer Post, Women's Relief Corps.

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At a recent conference in Sikeston of extension workers from the Missouri College of Agriculture, and county agents, farmers, bankers, merchants and representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture, it was estimated that for the next thirty days the requirements for feed would be \$135,000 and for seed \$83,000, which was needed for New Madrid, Dunklin, Mississippi, Scott, Pemiscot, Stoddard and Perry counties.

"Of the 317,500 acres to be sown this year, 50 per cent or 160,000 acres will be ready for planting shortly and 37 per cent of it will require some emergency help", the statement said, "although it is expected, after farmers have returned to their homes and have been given some temporary assistance in the way of feed for live stock during the first thirty days and for first planting, they will not require much additional help, as various localities will then be able to take care of the situation.

The federal parole board has recommended that Warren T. McCray, former governor of Indiana, sentenced to the Atlanta penitentiary for 10 years, be paroled in August when he becomes eligible for that clemency.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cunningham and two children of Sikeston, drove over from Poplar Bluff, Sunday, where he had been viewing the results of the tornado, and spent a few hours with Campbell friends.—Campbell Citizen.

The first overflows have disappeared mainly in the territory except that there is standing water in the southern part of Mississippi County which depends upon the lowering of the Mississippi river so that the levee flood gates can be opened. The river has been rising slightly and may continue at about the same stage for some time as the Missouri river is delivering a heavy volume of water. This will delay planting in Mississippi and New Madrid counties.

Bathtubs as an accident cause are more than twice as deadly as stepladders, according to a recent annual analysis made by an Illinois insurance company.

Umbrellas as a mark of elegance rather than a protection against sun or rain have been adopted by natives of French West Africa, according to the governor. Every native aspires to own at least one umbrella.

Fishermen of the north Pacific Coast have established a new industry in obtaining pearl essence from the scales of herring, sardines and shad. The substance extracted from waste fish is known as guan, and is used in the manufacture of artificial pearls.

When the wife of the sheriff of Marshall County, Alabama, transferred three prisoners from the county jail to a hospital while she tidied up their cells, they made their escape from a window on the third floor, using a rope made of blankets and anchored to an operating table.

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According to the Rev. Dr. F. B. Short of New York, pastor of a Methodist church for 35 years, blond babies usually cry, brunets smile and bald-headed ones look blank while being baptized.

At an exhibition of Napoleon relics in New York is a tendon taken from the Emperor's body and preserved by Abbé Vignali, Napoleon's chaplain. Locks of Napoleon's hair and pairs of his famous white breeches are also on view.

The largest basket in existence was recently exhibited at the Brooklyn Museum. It was a California acorn basket. After the dimensions of railroad tunnels had been ascertained, it was sent on an open flat car across the continent.

The ear of a person never changes during life and as a means of identification is as sure as fingerprints, according to United States immigration officials, who recently admitted a Chinese woman to this country after identifying her ear with that in a photograph taken in her childhood.

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States reports that the year would not be long enough to include all the "special weeks" if they fell consecutively. In addition to approximately 100 "special weeks", there is a wide variety of "special days", giving every member of the family, many articles of food and miscellaneous activities a place in the calendar.

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THURSDAY



HIGHWAY OFFICIALS VISIT CAPE COUNTY

HISTORICAL HOME OF OLD SAM HILDEBRAND

Last Thursday afternoon a party of highway officials spent some time in or around Jackson, consisting of T. H. Cutler, chief engineer, L. T. Powers, engineer of surveys and plans, both of Jefferson City, Division Engineer Cleland and Mr. Francisco of the Sikeston office. Jackson people had been advised from Sikeston that officials would be here for a conference, and arrangements were made for holding the same at the court house, but it did not materialize. The officials learned on arriving here that both Messrs. Goodwin and Kasten, township commissioners, were out of town, and they did not go to the court house, although Kasten and R. L. Medley had returned to town from a tour of inspecting roads.

Before going to Cape Girardeau they called at this office and the problem of No. 61 and No. 25 were discussed. From here the party went to Cape Girardeau, where a conference was held, after which they proceeded to Sikeston.

Cape Girardeau is very anxious to have No. 61 built. Byrd township stands pat on the proposition that the agreement last reached that No. 25 be built from below town to the Cape-Gordonville crossing must be carried out before thousands are spent for right-of-way for No. 61 without that assurance. A result may be that the commission will agree to build the ten miles in Cape township from the present paved section south of Cape Girardeau to Byrd township and then use the balance of the allotted money to build the stretch between Farmington and Esther.

Mr. Cutler promised to give earnest consideration to the suggestion to spend the \$43,000 of secondary road money in grading No. 25 north of Gordonville, but whether it will bear any fruit remains to be seen. He stated that those bad places at the new bridges on No. 61 south of Farmington would be in first class shape in another week.

If No. 61 is not built through Byrd township for some years to come it will not inconvenience the traveling public, as we have a good road which is passable every day in the year, and Jackson will welcome people passing through it.—Jackson Post.

66 CONGRESSMEN FAVOR, 29
AGAINST SPECIAL SESSION

Kansas City, May 19.—A new and complete compilation of the sentiment of Senators and members of Congress on Senator Reed's proposal for a special session of Congress for flood relief last night disclosed that 86 favored the session and 29 opposed it. Fifteen Representatives were reported abroad, and three did not express an opinion.

Of the 86 for the session, 11 are Republicans, 73 Democrats, and two Socialists. Twenty-three of the 29 opposed are Republicans and six Democrats.

Representatives and Senators from 38 States had been heard from last night. Five additional replies were received yesterday. Representatives Thomas Doyle (Rep.) of Illinois, and H. H. Peavey (Rep.) of Wisconsin favored a session, while Representatives Harry M. Wurzbach (Rep.) of Texas, Homer Hoch (Rep.) of Kansas, and John C. Ketcham (Rep.) of Michigan, expressed opposition.

A jet black cat rode the trucks of a Union Pacific passenger train from Ogden, Utah, to Chicago.

In order that the guardians of the law may be real he-men the city council of a Pennsylvania town has decreed that they must take a cold bath

every morning, sleep with the bed-

room windows open, go through daily-

dozen exercises, and brush their teeth

twice daily.

McBride's statement that some financial support had been withdrawn from advocates of prohibition was the

first public admission by the league that the efforts of anti-prohibitionists had been effective. There have been rumors for some time that revenue has not been coming into the league as copiously as it did several years ago.

"Under the announced plans a special supplemental campaign fund of \$500,000 is to be collected during the next two years to augment the league's political, educational and publicity work". The announcement continued. "Three hundred thousand dollars a year for two years will be asked for this work, the extended program to be exclusive of all programs already initiated.

"At present the budget of the National Anti-Saloon League amounts to \$450,000 per year. The special supplemental campaign will increase this budget to \$750,000 a year for the next two years".

"The main goal of the league's activities, however, will be to prevent the repeal or nullification of the 18th Amendment and the Volstead act and to prevent the nomination and election of wet candidate for President, Congress and other offices", said a statement issued by the committee.

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ANDREWS RESIGNS AS PROHIBITION CHIEF

Washington, May 20.—Lincoln C. Andrews, assistant secretary of the Treasury in charge of prohibition enforcement, has resigned, effective August 1, and Seymour Lowman, former Lieutenant-Governor of New York, will succeed him.

The announcement, made at the Treasury late today, was accompanied by the statement that James M. Doran, Prohibition Bureau chemist, had been appointed prohibition commissioner. He succeeds Roy A. Haynes who has been acting commissioner for several months.

A strenuous fight for the appointment of Haynes as permanent commissioner was made by the Anti-saloon League. He had the inside track but last night it was apparent that he had been eliminated from the race. J. D. Pennington, administrator of the Pittsburgh district, and E. C. Yellowlow, administrator of the Chicago district, were considered strong contenders today. Lowman, mentioned for the place, dropped down in the list of favorites with the report that former Senator Wadsworth had given him only a perfunctory recommendation.

Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel and legislative superintendent of the Anti-saloon League, conducted an uncompromising fight for Haynes.

The league last night sent a "reminder" to President Coolidge, which, while not mentioning Haynes' name, asserted that the league's Executive Committee had confirmed "the policy heretofore stated, urging the appointment of a commissioner of prohibition who is in sympathy with the law he will be called upon to enforce, who is capable of performing the duties of his office and who has had adequate experience in prohibition work".

The sting of the ultimatum was in the last paragraph, which stated that the Executive Committee had resolved, furthermore, "that President Coolidge and Secretary Mellon be respectfully reminded of the unmistakable understanding that was had in the passage of the reorganization bill, that the commissioner of prohibition would be entirely free and unhampered in the performance of his duties".

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE TO SPEND \$1,500,000

Washington, May 20.—The executive committee of the Anti-Saloon League announced today that \$1,500,000 would be spent by the league during the next two years on a "dry" campaign that will strike at every wet candidate and at every effort to repeal or nullify the existing prohibition laws.

"This means that a strenuous campaign will be waged against Gov. Al Smith, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Gov. Ritchie and Senator Reed of Missouri, and any candidate in any party who does not stand four square on prohibition" the formal announcement of the committee declared.

"We believe that such a program is the best answer the Anti-Saloon League can make to the efforts of the wet who are seeking to curb our activities by stopping financial support of our friends", Dr. F. Scott McBride, general superintendent of the league said. "Instead of laying down, we are doubling our efforts".

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first public admission by the league that the efforts of anti-prohibitionists had been effective. There have been rumors for some time that revenue has not been coming into the league as copiously as it did several years ago.

"Under the announced plans a special supplemental campaign fund of \$500,000 is to be collected during the next two years to augment the league's political, educational and publicity work". The announcement continued. "Three hundred thousand dollars a year for two years will be asked for this work, the extended program to be exclusive of all programs already initiated.

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"Like a bolt from a clear sky eight automobiles loaded with federal prohibition agents under James Dillon of St. Louis, practically the entire enforcement squad, including stool-pigeons and one woman agent, drove into Ste. Genevieve over No. 25 at about 6:30 p. m. last Saturday and pulled off a wholesale raid in which ten arrests were made, four of whom returned with the agents, the others reporting in St. Louis Monday. Dillon and the woman occupied the first car and as the caravan proceeded through town she signalled to the men in the next car behind, pointing out the places to be raided. The plan worked like clockwork and in a very short time all sections of town were covered. This woman had been in Ste. Genevieve since about April first soliciting "alms" for an orphanage in Kansas City and selling subscriptions to the "Mother's Appeal", 114 Gibraltar

Bldg., Kansas City. As she made her rounds soliciting subscriptions she wormed information from unsuspecting people and otherwise posted herself as to where wet goods could be obtained and no doubt put the enforcement officers "wise" as to what was being done here. She is said to be an employee in Dillon's office in St. Louis. Although more than a month has elapsed, we are unable to find anyone who has so far received a copy of the "Mother's Appeal". According to the St. Louis newspapers Dillon is credited with reporting that undercover agents had purchased liquor at the places raided".

Experiments with electric-light traps are to be made in New York State to lure to destruction the female codlin moth before she has opportunity to deposit her eggs in apple blossoms.

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GERMANY FREE OF ALL WAR GUILT, REICH COMMITTEE DECIDES

Berlin, May 18.—Germany overstepped the bounds of international law governing warfare in only a few isolated unimportant cases, according to the findings of the Reichstag Committee charged with the investigation of whether or not the Reich adhered to the Hague warfare rules, a full report of which was delivered to the Reichstag today in five immense tomes. The fatherland may have erred slightly in violating Belgian neutrality, though the committee was unable to reach a final decision on this point, having considered it only a matter of seven years and also being delayed awaiting the report from another investigating committee. The acts which were clearly violations of the Hague international agreement on warfare were explained by the German committee as "necessary reprisals."

Taken as a whole, Germany's war conduct was beyond reproach, the committee decided, and only a very close examination can find trace of foul spots on the whitewash spread thickly over gas warfare, submarine activities, prison camps, deportation of Belgian workers, aerial warfare and destruction of property by retreating armies. The work was hampered, ex-Minister Bell, chairman of the Investigation Committee, stated, by the failure of the allies to supply them with exhaustive material, but it is hoped when the actions of the enemies are fully known the few specks

now marring Germany's record will be removed.

Though the committee could not reach a full accord on the rights and wrongs in the matter of the Kaiser's forces invading Belgium, it agreed the army's treatment of Belgian citizens was correct, since the civilians organized armed resistance against German soldiers, and, therefore, were the violators of the Hague pact and not entitled to treatment other than as enemies. Deportations of about 100,000 Belgians to Germany for service in Reich's munition and other factories are believed unjust by a minority of the committee, while the majority was not willing to give snap judgment and desires more time for consideration. All are agreed the incidents in carrying out deportation were not strictly according to Hoyle. Since the submarine warfare was conducted as a reprisal against the English blockade, both limited and unlimited was justified, and, therefore, not listed as a transgression of The Hague restrictions. The committee found airplane and zeppelin pilots bombed enemy munition factories or other places whose destruction would cripple their foes' war activities, and then only on nights and Sundays, when the workers were absent. Of course, due to poor aim, some of the bombs reached other marks. However, these precautions were not applied to Paris, which was always open season, as a reprisal for French bombing expeditions.

The investigation also disclosed the gas warfare conducted by the Fatherland under The Hague rules was justified. The dreaded chlorine and cyanide was not used until after the French violated The Hague pact and opened the way for another German reprisal.

No army acted within the letter of law in handling of prisoners at the front, but in the camps Germany played square, it was found. The fact prisoners often failed to eat regularly was due to the English blockade and not German oppression. Spotted typhus was treated to the best ability of the hospital corps. These much motted abuses were found groundless, according to the investigation.

On account of the allies' misuse of hospital ship flags and hospital ships mistakes occurred but only occasionally. In making her retreat the German army cannot be accused of wanton destruction and even in the wrecking of the French and Belgian mines during the 1918 retreat the greatest care was taken to disable them only to the extent of rendering them useless for another year, the officers estimating fighting would continue for that length of time. Dr. Schnee, former colonial governor, characterizes the document as another step toward showing Germany is innocent of starting the war as hinted in some quarters. The debate on the report brought forth the most severe criticism by the Socialists and Communists, especially the deportation of Belgian workers which these parties say was instigated by the big industrialists in order to bring a few more marks from the toilers.

McADOO OUT OF RACE
TAMMANY HALL HEARS

New York, May 19.—William Gibbs McAdoo will not again try his luck in next year's Democratic National Convention, according to information at Tammany Hall today. Tammany Leader George W. Olvany made the announcement.

"A close friend of Mr. McAdoo was in here today", Olvany said. "He told me that McAdoo was not in the race for the nomination".

Olvany did not seek to disguise the fact that the information was pleasing in him. With McAdoo in the running, the Democrats behind Gov. Smith for the nomination have been looking forward with considerable apprehension to 1928.

With McAdoo out, the dry forces admit no dry Democrat of sufficient caliber has appeared above the party horizon. This fact is regarded by friends of Gov. Smith as a happy omen.

According to a real estate authority, during the past thirty years the individual private dwelling has rapidly disappeared from New York City.

The famous Stradivarius made about one thousand violins, half of which were lost or destroyed. Of the five hundred still in existence, about one-third are in the United States, the others being scattered over the rest of the world.

JOSEPHINE'S MALMAISON ADDED TO BY AMERICANS

Spring stirrings were beginning to disturb the desolation of a French winter on that March day of 1815, when Napoleon left the cheering throngs in Paris and came to Malmaison. The Little Corporal, fresh from Elba and flushed with the first triumphs of the Hundred Days, paced the walks in the gardens at Croissy, faint sorrow showing in his glance about the estate.

"Poor Josephine!" he murmured. "At every corner of these walks I expect to meet her".

And so it is today for the visitor who lingers in the gardens of Malmaison, almost to be called "Josephine Museum", by the French government. It might almost be called "Josephine's museum", for a great part of the objects preserved in the chateau are associated with her—things that the great Napoleon provided for his wife. It is always of unfailing interest to the Americans who go there.

But this year Malmaison will have an added interest for Americans, since the grounds have been increased to nearly four times their former size by the gift of an American couple,

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tuck, who live at Vert-Mont, a magnificent country home nearby.

The estate which the Tucks have given is known as Bois-Preau,

and was the last of the additions Josephine and Napoleon made to the Malmaison home. In addition to the land and buildings, Mr. and Mrs. Tuck have provided a fund of one-half million francs for the government to use in maintaining the place.

French authorities intend using the chateau at Bois-Preau to house many of the Napoleonic treasures now

crowding Malmaison, and the two estates, separated by a public road, will be joined by a foot bridge.

Josephine's acquisition of Bois-

Preau was the consummation of her dreams about Malmaison, as well as the last thing in which she and Na-

poleon shared. He divorced her just

at the time, an act dictated not by his

heart but by ambition and the desire for a royal heir. The desertion by

divorce was in his mind until the end

and his dying words were, "Jose-

phine, Josephine!" That March day

when he wandered through the gar-

dens tribute to her was on his lips:

"She had weakness, no doubt", mused the emperor, "but she would never have abandoned me!"

Love of Malmaison was born in

Josephine's heart long before the days

of Napoleon; even before the bloody

Revolution. She had married De

Beauharnais at Croissy and mothered

two children of his before deciding to

leave the older man who tormented

her life with his flirtations. Her re-

luge was in Croissy and the deserted

grounds of Malmaison provided an

excellent place for the children to

play in grateful shade while she

rested.

But Malmaison, owned then by Le-

couteux de Molay, Parisian man of

wealth, came back to life. It was no

longer open to Josephine after De Mo-

lay moved in to entertain celebrities

such as the poet Delille and painter

Le Brun, a fact that led her to the de-

cision that a graden of her own must

be found for the children, something

that was close to impossible since the

alimony she received from De Beau-

arnais was infrequent. So she sailed

for her home in Martinique to realize

on the property in her name there.

On her return Josephine again went

to Croissy to live with a Mme. Hosten,

not far from Malmaison. The revolu-

tion was in the air, and fortunately

the charming Mme. De Beauharnais

met many of those who were to be

leaders in the bloody movement. They

rescued her from prison later, when

she had gone to Paris in an attempt

to save her sister-in-law. But they

beheaded her and divorced husband

and Josephine fled again to Croissy,

seeking refuge from the maddened

masses of Paris. Her fortunes prospered

and she returned to the capital city when danger was past.

There, in Paris, she met Napoleon

and their quick love blossomed into

marriage within a few months. He

was gone to Italy and returned, fam-

ous, in search of a country home—not

one of the revolution's confiscated

houses, but one that he could buy out-

right. The answer, Josephine told

him, was Malmaison, which Lecoule-

ts would sell for \$60,000.

But that was too much; the high-

est Napoleon would go was \$50,000,

and there matters stood when he set

out on his Egyptian campaign. While

he was gone Josephine arranged

terms for Malmaison, \$30,000 in cash

and the remainder of Napoleon's price

by mortgage. She was determined to

have the place and spent \$7000 of her

own money to buy furniture, borrow-

ed another \$3000 from an agent and

obtained an option on the estate,

waiting for Napoleon to return. While

she waited the net of finances drew

her into scandal along with a group

of undesirables in connection with

army contract graft.

It was all smoothed over with the

conqueror's return. Appointed first

consul, he was appointed the Tuillier-

Sunshine Always Follows the Rain

POPLAR BLUFF PLANS
\$175,000 'Y' BUILDING

Poplar Bluff, May 20.—H. H. Horn, State Secretary, and T. M. Montgomery, traveling secretary of railroad Y. M. C. A. in the Southwest division, are in Poplar Bluff making preparations for a campaign for funds to start construction of a new Y. M. C. A. building to replace the one partially wrecked by the tornado of May 9. The new building will cost approximately \$175,000.

Secretary A. D. Reeder and the Citizens' Committee sponsoring this work hope to see actual construction started in 90 days, it was said today.

The present Y. M. C. A. property will be sold, and the new building will be located on the corner of Cedar and Second streets, occupying one-quarter of a block.

This is merely one of the building ventures planned since the tornado. A new school in East Poplar Bluff is to be constructed during the summer months. J. H. Wolpers, president of the Board of Education, says an effort will be made to have that building ready for occupancy by October 1.

A new Frisco Railroad depot building, to cost approximately \$50,000, will be started in the next two weeks. The Frisco recently purchased the Butler County Railroad lines, from Poplar Bluff to Piggott, Ark., and the two stations will be consolidated.

A special election, calling for a \$300,000 bond issue for construction of a new courthouse, will be held some time in July, according to present plans. The shell of the old courthouse will be dynamited soon. B. F. Davenport, Presiding Judge of the County Court, says.

Two other buildings, started prior to the tornado, will be rushed to completion. They are the new \$85,000 Presbyterian Church and the Brandon Hospital, to cost in the vicinity of \$100,000.

The Ducker Hotel, damaged greatly by the storm, is being rebuilt. Unconfirmed reports are that the Ducker company has purchased the site of the ill-fated New Melbourne, where 18 persons were killed in the tornado. Walter Ducker refused to comment on the reported purchase. The New Melbourne was located at the rear of the Ducker. Reports are that Ducker will construct a large addition to his hotel.

With hotel facilities here extremely limited, due to virtually every hotel being wrecked or damaged by the tornado, many citizens have offered rooms in private homes for people who are unable to get rooms in the few hotels remaining.

All of the thirty or more large business buildings in the down-town district, damaged by the tornado, are either under course of rebuilding, or plans are being made for their reconstruction at an early date.

The Poplar Bluff Elks Lodge has received for \$10,000 from the grand lodge in Philadelphia and will rebuild its home at once. The Elks Home here was one of the finest club buildings in South Missouri.

The local lodges of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias, owners of the Fraternal Building, which was wrecked by the tornado, have finance committees at work and hope to let the contracts for construction of a three-story brick building within thirty days.

"It took us sixty years to build Poplar Bluff. It took less than sixty seconds for the tornado to wreck it, and I hope that within sixty days every building damaged or wrecked, will be in the course of reconstruction", says Mayor John W. Berryman.

V. B. HEISLER OF SIKESTON
SUED FOR \$7500 DAMAGES

A case has been filed in the Scott County Circuit Court wherein Helen Potts, aged 14 years, by next best friend, is suing V. B. Heisler for \$7,500 personal injuries alleged to have been inflicted when plaintiff ran a car against an automobile in which she was riding as guest. The accident occurred February 13, this year, at Sikeston.—Benton Democrat.

President of Men's Club

Columbia, May 22.—David E. Blanton of Sikeston has been elected president of the Class of '30 Men's Club at the University of Missouri. John Fellows of Columbia is vice president, and Ralph George of St. Louis is secretary-treasurer.

The use of the shell of fresh-water clams in button making is causing the species to vanish.

ANNOUNCE APPROACHING
MARRIAGE OF DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Alexander announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Maud, to Mr. David N. Thompson of Caruthersville, the ceremony to take place on Thursday, June 2d at four o'clock p. m. at the home of the bride's parents, 410 East Commercial St., Rev. Elbert D. Owen, pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city officiating.

This wedding will be one of the most important social events of the season, and will be of interest throughout Southeast Missouri.

Miss Alexander was reared in this city and has been a social favorite. She graduated from Charleston High School in the class of 1921, from Stephens College in 1923, from the State University in 1925. She was president of the Gamma Phi Beta.

For the past two years she has been one of the faculty of the Sikeston schools.

Mr. Thompson is the son of Major and Mrs. Elbert Thompson of Butler, Mo. He is a graduate of Missouri University. He was president of Delta Tau. He served in the World War. The young couple will spend their honeymoon on the Great Lakes. They will make their home in Caruthersville, where Mr. Thompson is a prominent young business man.—Charles Timms.

RURAL MAIL CARRIERS
TO MEET IN SIKESTON

Annual Southeast Missouri meeting of Rural Mail Carriers will be held at Sikeston, Fair Ground Park, Monday, May 30.

Assurance of a larger attendance caused Executive Board to change meeting from Cape Girardeau to Sikeston, this year.

Meeting will open promptly at 10 a. m. with Address of Welcome by Mayor Fuchs of Sikeston. Response by a Southeast Missouri Rural Carrier.

Speakers who will address the carried body in the forenoon are Ex-Congressman Ralph E. Bailey and Maj. C. L. Malone, President Sikeston Chamber of Commerce. Congressman James F. Fulbright's presence will be urged, and one or more state officers will be present.

This is a family meeting and wives of the carriers will also attend with well filled baskets. Postmasters are honorary members and are expected to attend.

The afternoon session will start promptly at 1 p. m. and a Postal Inspector will address the Carriers.

Next will come Election of Delegates to State Convention at Cameron, July 15-16. Election of officers for Southeast Missouri Association. Meeting will close with contests or all.

Every Rural Carrier in Southeast Missouri is urged to attend and help make this meeting 100 per cent, as do our brother carriers in other parts of the state. Now brother carriers this is your meeting and Service is our motto. Show your Red blood and BE THERE.—Committee.

HOUSE AND BARN BURN AT
VANDUSER—HOTEL AFIRE

Sunday afternoon about 3 o'clock the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Gober in east Vanduser caught fire and in a short time was reduced to ashes. The family was sitting down stairs and heard a roaring and crackling overhead. It was discovered that the fire had made good headway and only five pieces of furniture were saved. A barn across the road caught fire and was also burned. The high wind Sunday afternoon made fire fighting a difficult task.

The same day the Armstrong Hotel at Vanduser caught fire from a cigarette in a waste paper basket. The flames were confined to one room and were extinguished.—Benton Democrat.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION

This regular June examination for teachers will be held in the public school building in Benton on Friday and Saturday, June 3 and 4. Examinations start promptly at 8 o'clock a. m.

J. H. GOODIN,
County Superintendent

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reed and daughter and Mrs. Ruth Malone and sons were Poplar Bluff visitors, Sunday.

Lynn Finley, who has been a very sick lad for the past six weeks with typhoid fever, is slowly recovering, being now able to sit up a short time each day.

The use of the shell of fresh-water clams in button making is causing the species to vanish.



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WISCONSIN HOUSE VOTES
TO LEGALIZE HOME BREWING

Madison, Wis., May 19.—The lower House of the State Assembly today passed Assemblyman Duncan's "bill of rights for the home brewer" by a vote of 56 to 34. The bill would legalize the manufacture of beer of 2.75 per cent alcoholic content by persons in their homes.

Byron Bowman left Friday for Hot Springs, Ark., on a business trip. Misses Mildred Bowman and Catherine Blanton went to Poplar Bluff with him and drove his car back.

Thousands of railroad ties and cedar poles were carried away by the recent floods on White, Black and Current Rivers. At Cotter, on White River, it is estimated that 30,000 ties were carried down the stream. Eighty per cent of them will be salvaged when they are picked from the drifts and islands down the river. Thousands of cedar posts already have been salvaged on White River. These cedar posts are sawed into pencil stocks for the manufacture of lead pencils.—West Plains Gazette.

The Post last week reported that a corps of surveyors was at work again surveying a different location for No. 61 east of Jackson. Since then it has been learned that the recent high water in Williams Creek has created some doubt in the minds of road engineers about the feasibility of where the location had heretofore been made but rather crossing the creek about 300 feet south of the present bridge, running the road south of the gravel road and crossing the ridge on the Hobs hill. It would mean a relocation of the route from the Boon farm to the other end of the county farm. Owing to the heavy rain Friday the survey could not be completed Saturday, as planned, and Sunday was used to finish the work. In a few days it will be known whether the change will be made, which we doubt, as Cape township has already bought and paid for some right-of-way which would become useless. It was also stated that another reason for the new survey was to see whether a route with cheaper right-of-way could not be found, and were informed that with this in view another survey would be made south of town.—Jackson Post.

BUILDING GOOD CITIZENS

Perhaps there would be less concern about American youth if due consideration were given the fact that wholesome and constructive agencies having to do with youth were never more prominent than today. There is a reminder of this fact in the preparations that are being made for summer recreation and training of many classes of young people. For example, there are citizens' military training camps which are to be opened at various points in the country in the next few months.

From year to year these camps have been appealing to large numbers of young men. The instruction, discipline, outdoor recreation and other advantages they offer make them unique opportunity for many thousands of youths ranging in age from 17 to 31 years. The opportunity is restricted to no particular class or group. The requirements for admission, within the limits of facilities, are simply physical fitness, good moral character, and American citizenship, or at least the expressed desire to become a citizen of this country. A particular effort has been made to preserve the democratic spirit of these camps. There is no distinction with respect to wealth or social position, race or creed. They are intended for Americans and are designed to teach the principles of Americanism.

The fostering of the military spirit is neither the aim nor the result of this type of training. There is the aim of promoting a reasonable preparedness through fairly adequate elementary training of young men for service in defense of their country, should that service ever be required. But along with this and of equal importance is the preparation for the common, every day duties of life. The camps have been termed builders of American citizenship. The limited expense of maintaining them is one of the soundest investments the government makes. They merit the support they have gained not only from American youth, but from citizens generally.—K. C. Star.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Colbert and son, Russell, returned to St. Louis, Sunday, after a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dover.

MISSOURI HAD WETTEST
APRIL IN SIXTY YEARS

Columbia, May 21.—The wettest weather in sixty years obtained in Missouri during the month of April, said the monthly crop and weather report, issued here today by George Reeder, government meteorologist.

The month's weather was also favored by unusual mildness during the first twenty days and by the cool snap which occurred from April 20 to 25 resulting in general frosts and freezes. These were most severe in the Ozark region, where fruits were more advanced. An unusual number of thunderstorms and high winds also occurred during the month.

The monthly mean temperature for the state, based on records of sixty-eight weather recording stations, was 57.7 degrees, or 2.6 degrees warmer than the average temperature of April a year ago. The excess warmth was general, being somewhat more marked in the Ozark region, where a freeze occurred on April 21 and April 22. Almost no damage to fruit was done in the north and central sections, however, where the temperatures were not so low and where the vegetation was less advanced.

The average precipitation for the state during the month was 8.46 inches, or 4.73 inches greater than the average for the past fifty-six years. An unusual number of rainstorms occurred, especially between April 5 and 21, ranging from 4 inches at Hannibal to 18 inches at Hollister. There was an average of 12 inches of precipitation in the southeast lowlands and nearly 10 inches in other southern sections. The rainfall in the southeastern sections since January 1 exceeds the normal by nearly 200 per cent.

Thundersheds and high winds occurred at a number of cities. A little sleet was recorded at Grant City on April 20 and snow flurries were noticeable at Jackson on April 24. Northeast Missouri, from Boone County to Adair, and east to the Mississippi River, was visited by excessive rain. At Macon treks were washed out and train schedules stopped, roads made impassable and all creeks went out of their banks. Monroe City also suffered from hail damage. Boone, Callaway, Audrain, Lincoln and Pike Counties were visited by tornadoes during the month.

DRIVER OF UNKNOWN CAR
BREAKS NEGRO BOY'S HIP

A 12-year-old negro boy by the name of Levan, living on one of the McMullin farms, west of McMullin station, was run over by a Ford car near the People's Bank corner Saturday evening, breaking the right hip bone. The car never stopped after hitting the boy, but drove rapidly away. Dr. Mayfield set the thigh bone and the boy was taken home. Dr. Mayfield was told by a negro man who saw the accident, that the boy had started across the street, but fell for some reason, and the car ran over him with the above results.

It seems strange that when such accidents happen, the driver should run away without any thought of offering assistance. Hope the driver can be apprehended and punished for running away.

FATHER MOENING WILL
LEAVE NEW HAMBURG

Rev. E. Moenig, who for the past 28 years has been in charge of the Catholic parish at New Hamburg, has been transferred to Taos in Osage County. He will be succeeded by Rev. H. J. Eggemann, who for the past five years has been the pastor at Jackson.

The parish at New Hamburg is much larger than the one at Jackson and the change is considered a promotion for Father Eggemann. While at Jackson he has built a new parish house, and maintained the parish school, being one of the teachers.—Cape Missourian.

I. R. Kelso came down from St. Louis Friday morning and spent a few hours in this city on business, and took advantage of the opportunity to visit a while with old friends. He was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Rev. H. N. McKee, pastor of the Christian Church at Montgomey City, who was formerly pastor of the Christian Church at Cape Girardeau.

The Standard acknowledged a social call from these gentlemen, also from the resident manager of Cape Girardeau Light Plant and C. E. Brenton, manager in Southeast Missouri for the Missouri Utilities Co. Mr. Kelso is attorney for the light people and is visiting the property in this section.

CORRESPONDENCE
FROM MOREHOUSE

Fred Leming is selling his effects preparatory to moving to California.

The following students will leave next week to take up summer school work at Cape Girardeau Normal: Mrs. Lillian Grossman, Thelma Reynolds, Nellie Reynolds, Willie Merrick, Helen Murier and Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Cain.

Rev. W. C. Swope of Charleston opened a revival meeting at the M. E. Church Sunday, which is expected to last for two weeks. Meetings for business men will be held daily at the Tokio theatre at 2:00 o'clock.

Supt. A. W. Denke is visiting homefolks at Cape Girardeau this week.

Wm. the Crumpecker sold a carload of hay to the Red Cross for relief supply at Lilbourn.

Laura Murphy Gregory, a former student in poultry in vocational agriculture, is putting her studies to practice. She has 550 young chickens on her farm which are doing well.

A baptism was held at the Baptist church last week with Mrs. O. Travill, Ruth Patterson, two Moccabees and several others receiving immersion.

The Nazarene Church is reroofing their church. At dollar meetings for the past two weeks they raised \$138.33 with which to pay for the roof.

A fine baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson on Friday, May 20.

Derris Lewis and Rev. A. W. Doss of Bertrand were fishing guests Saturday, catching a good string.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL
ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

The Baptist Sunday school is putting on an Enlargement Campaign and School of Instruction this week. Dinner was served in the basement of the Baptist Church Sunday to forty-five workers, who took the census under the direction of Miss Jean Roop of Kansas City.

School of Instruction will begin Monday evening at 6:15 continuing each evening throughout the week.

The program is as follows:

6:15—First Class Period.

7:00—Supper.

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While positions are not so very plentiful with good salaries attached, The Standard wishes to speak a word for the boys and girls who have just graduated. If you can possible use one or more of them until they can make other business connections, you will be doing them and the public a very great service. Then there are a great many who would like employment through the vacation season. The Standard will print, without charge, help wanted notices and help secure places for them.

The editor of The Standard is greatly impressed with aims of the Auxiliary of the American Legion just organized in Sikeston. To assist widows and orphans of World War veterans, to visit the sick, to render assistance in times of distress, to be ready at any time to work for the betterment of the community. Isn't this a wonderful aim, and combined, is of real worth. To visit the sick is a sufficient aim to give satisfaction, encouragement and joy to all concerned. As a whole, or as individuals, we are not free enough with our visits to the sick. Time drags heavy to the afflicted and if nothing more is accomplished, words of cheer and good wishes, mean more than medicine in many cases. It should be a pleasure to those enjoying good health to cast a ray of sunshine to our less fortunate neighbors.

It sometimes costs little to suggest. The Farmers Supply building is soon to be remodeled and brought up to date. The old awnings will be replaced by the hanging awnings similar to those at the Young building and the Derris building. Now the suggestion. It would look mighty nice if all the old unsightly sheet iron awnings could be taken away and the hanging awnings substituted. It would likewise be very attractive if the big barn door signs could be removed and neat signs on the corner of the plate glass windows substituted. There is no discussion up on this subject, but it would add much to attractiveness of our business section if such changes could be made.

What a contrast between the graduates of the Eight Grade with their beautiful dresses, and the High School graduates with the dingy, unbecoming gowns, that might have last been worn by negro graduates. The handsomest of the graduates were unprettily with the shrouds of the dead past. The time of all times that the girl graduates would like to look her best, is at graduating time—and she didn't. Their lot.

NEVER WROTE IT

Simon Loebe ought to be ashamed of himself to try to put such a verse off on an old man who is straining his eyesight every day.

Mary had a little dress
A trifle light and airy;
It didn't show the dirt a bit,
But gosh, how it showed Mary.
—Capper's Weekly.

Mary had a little lamb
It's fleece was white, you know!
There was much in Mary's clothes,
And much of Mary showed.

—Charley Blanton.

The large class of graduates at our High School Thursday should make Sikeston and community proud that we have such a school and such school officials. It is seldom that any city the size of Sikeston has so many boys and girls that continue through the four-year course. This is due largely to the understanding that young America must have education in order to be able to cope with the problems that confront them. This is due, too, to the splending feeling existing between pupils and faculty. While this makes us feel proud, it was with greater pride that we witnessed the class of 84 boys and girls pass around the auditorium and receive their cards of admission to the High School. The large audience present voiced the pride by loud applause. We old fellows, who witnessed these exercises, can feel assured that out of all these young folks, many will make outstanding citizens.

Here is a story that ought to induce some people we know to get a little action on their money. "How much did Old Jim leave," asked the local reporter of Old Jim's next of kin. "Every damn cent he had", the next of kin replied. Since we can't take any of our coin away with us, why keep on denying ourselves the comforts and advantages a little of it would buy?

Dr. Diehl, in his address to the graduates Thursday evening, stressed many thoughts to the young people, among those that should be brought forcibly to the attention of them and the public was that of the material things instead of the pleasures. "To Get" seemed to be the ambition of some, while "To Give" to others was the pleasure in life. His talk would make worth while reading as it was full of meat and apt illustrations.

Two of our splendid teachers are soon to accept the hymenial halter, promise to love, honor and obey, take chances for better or worse, etc. Fortunately, indeed, are the young men who win these brides for life companions, as they are equipped with good looks, good common sense and good health, and will be able to successfully fight the wolf from the door should the party of the first part, through ill health, have to retreat within doors. No such thing will happen, though, as the fortunate young men are strong in health and will power and not afraid to tackle two wolves should they appear. These young people have the good wishes of a large acquaintance and will be an honor to any community in which they cast their lot.

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MISS DOROTHY SCHWAB
HAPPY IN HOSPITAL

The editor is in receipt of a letter from Dorothy Schwab of Sikeston, who is in the Shriners' Hospital, St. Louis, being treated for crippled feet. She is but 12 years of age and is a mighty good soldier. We feel the public of Sikeston is interested in this little miss, hence we print her letter:

Dear Mr. Blanton:

I thank you very much for sending me The Sikeston Standard. How are you and Mrs. Blanton? I am getting along just fine. It sure is a nice place up here. We had two or three storms while I was here, but no damage done or no one hurt. The nurses are very kind to me. I am sorry I did not write sooner, but we up patients have to run all over the ward for the bed patients until 9:00, then we take a glass of buttermilk and go to school. We return at 10:30 a. m., then we help the teacher that comes down in this ward and as I am in the highest grade of all the up patients, I have to do the most work. We go to bed at 12 until 2:00, then we get up and drink a glass of cocoa and go to school until 3:30 p. m. But we have a good time up here. Today a girl got two angel food cakes and enough ice cream for the whole ward as it was her birthday.

We up patients have to take turns about in going into the cubicle for there is not enough room in the ward, so Bonnie Wilson and I are in the cubicle now. Gee, it is fun.

Guess I will have to close, as I do not know any news.

Your loving friend,
DOROTHY SCHWAB.

The residents of President Coolidge's home State are so hide-bound and thick-skinned that they are immune from smallpox. Vermont didn't have a single case last year.—Missouri Democrat.

Our friend Ed Crowe of the Dexter Statesman has returned home from Hot Springs where he 'biled' out, hoping to get rid of the cause of carbuncles. He says he had uneventful trip back home but he shook some when crossing bridges or trestles when land was not to be seen anywhere. We hope he arrived home in good shape and he will be carefully looked after. If not, then we're going to sick Charley Blanton onto him.—Charleston Times.

Rumors are now afloat, and gaining momentum steadily, to the effect that Dr. Joseph A. Serena is to be retained as head of the Southeast Missouri Teachers College until the term of Governor Sam A. Baker expires, at which time the native son of the Ozarks is to be inducted into the feathered nest. This sounds reasonable, as it is generally known that the Governor is as dead as a door nail politically. He will automatically become a political lame duck and as the positions of executive heads of our educational institutions are now becoming the heirlooms of politicians and are being filled with misfits, the rumor seems in line with past practices.

While we believe such action will lead us from the frying pan into the fire, we do not really believe that Governor Baker could detract greatly from the present rank of the institution.—Jackson Cash Book.

We heard a hard-boiled citizen say the reason "Beauty Parlors" were not more successful, was: the prospect saw them first and wondered why they did not try their art at home.

A Monroe county citizen recently said to the Appeal editor: "I would hate to see American farmers reduced to the peasant standards of Europe". Economically, they already have been. Everybody gets protection, guarantees or special advantages of other sorts, except the farmer. Worse still, the favored industries add their tax payments to the price of their commodities and pass it down to the ultimate consumer, who mostly lives on farms, so the man in the rural district not only carries his own burdens but also those parties who manufacture his clothing and machinery, and those who transport these articles to his locality. A very disquieting feature of the situation is that the submissive disposition characteristic of the European peasant is being imbibed by the American farmer. He hardly ever protests. He seldom encourages a revolt. He grumbles a bit when he pays his taxes but seems indisposed to do anything about it. This accounts in a measure for increases that are made in tax levies from time to time, when decreases might otherwise be the rule. No relief need be expected until the farmer, who now is so docile, shows a tendency to go on a rampage and thus puts the fear of God into the hearts of men who attain to places of authority by virtue of his vote.—Paris Appeal.

There is a sundial in Druid Hill Park, Baltimore, of polyhedral type, each face indicating the sun time in some distant city.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Floyd C. Shoemaker
The long and useful life of Colonel William Franklin Switzler, Missouri journalist, author, politician, exemplary citizen, and public official, came to a close on May 24, 1906, twenty-one years ago this week, at his home in Columbia.

Born in Fayette county, Kentucky on March 16, 1819 Colonel Switzler came to Fayette, Howard county, Missouri with his father in 1826. Few educational opportunities were offered him as a boy but by diligent home study he acquired a good education. He was, throughout life, a scholar and a friend of education. Under the supervision of Judge Abiel Leonard and James S. Rollins he pursued the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1842.

Shortly before this time, however, he had been drawn into newspaper work, for in 1841 he had become editor of the Columbia Patriot, the successor of The Missouri Intelligencer and Boone's Lick Advertiser. In 1843 he began the publication of the Missouri Statesman, which he continued to publish during the next forty-six years.

In addition to wielding a strong political influence through the columns of his newspaper, he took an even more active part in politics as an office holder. Prior to the war, as a member of the Whig party, he was three times elected to the Missouri House of Representatives in 1846, 1848 and 1856. During the war Col. Switzler was a decided though conservative Unionist. He later became a member of the Democratic party and was twice that party's choice as candidate to the National House of Representatives, in 1865 and 1868. Each time he was elected by a fairly large majority but the Radical secretary of state "went behind the returns" and each time gave the election to the Colonel's opponent. The election was contested by Colonel Switzler without success.

Colonel Switzler was one of the few men who served the state in both the Constitutional Conventions of 1865 and 1875. The state will ever remain his debtor for the services which he rendered it in this capacity, especially with reference to education. In 1885 he was appointed by President Cleveland as chief of the bureau of statistics, an office which he ably filled.

His military title of "Colonel" was acquired in 1863 when he was appointed by President Lincoln, whose election he had opposed, as provost marshal of the ninth congressional district of Missouri.

As a writer Colonel Switzler has earned the title of the "Historian of Missouri", and the "Nestor of the Press." His most outstanding work is his "History of Missouri" which is recognized as a standard and authentic work. His "History of Boone County" is also a valuable contribution. The History of the University of Missouri, upon which Colonel Switzler worked up to the time of his death, has never been published. The manuscript is in the possession of the University at Columbia. It is said that Colonel Switzler possessed so remarkable a memory that, without using an reference book whatever, he could have written an accurate history of this state.

He was married in 1843 to Miss Mary Jane Royal, a niece of General Sterling Price. They had three children, two sons and one daughter.

As a politician, dissimulation and trickery were unknown to him, and his many years of active participation in this field brought no slight stigma to his name; as a writer, no uncleanness or venom ever came from his pen, in spite of the fact that he vigorously upheld the principles in which he believed and as vigorously attacked those to which he could not give his support.

The life of this eminent Missourian bears out the statement of the philosopher that "the only true history is biography".

The Atchison County Mail prints the following story, and as Editor Stapel vouches for its truthfulness it is not questioned: "A certain Atchison County young man was speeding merrily along the road the other day when he caught up with a party of children on their way to school. He asked them if they cared to ride and for an answer they piled into his Ford, until it was so completely filled that one little girl had to sit on the driver's lap. She was a plump little thing and to keep her away from the steering wheel and not interfere with driving the car, the driver cuddled her close. They started talking. 'Do you like school?' he asked her. 'Yes, sir,' she lisped. 'Do you go every day?' 'I haven't missed a day this year,' the little girl replied. 'Good little girl!' said the driver kissing her soft cheek. 'Do you like your teacher?' 'Yes, sir,' said the girl, 'I'm the teacher!' And the Ford damed near went into the ditch.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL
FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Frank Kaiser and daughter, Miss Mary James, Miss Vanita Hicks and Elmo Bledsoe were New Madrid visitors, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane were New Madrid visitors, Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Weatherford entertained the following with a quilting and 12 o'clock dinner Wednesday: Mesdames L. F. Swartz, G. D. Englehart, Albert Deane, Ben Mills, Alfred Gossett, G. D. Steele and Mrs. Hubert Boyer and little daughter and Mrs. Jack Matthews of Sikeston. A most pleasant and enjoyable day was spent by the ladies. It was a very easy proposition to quilt with such an ele-

gant dinner as Mrs. Weatherford is accustomed to preparing for these occasions.

Mrs. Roy Alsup and sister, Miss Lillith Deane motored to Cape Girardeau, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Parker shopped in Sikeston, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Englehart have moved into the B. F. Swartz residence, Mr. and Mrs. Latimer having moved to Marston.

Mrs. Bess Fulkerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Reed, and Leslie Revelle, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Revelle, were quietly married in Sikeston, Saturday.

Mrs. Fulkerson for some time has been employed at the shoe factory in Sikeston. She is a splendid young lady with a host of admirers.

Mr. Revelle is a promising and energetic young man.

The young couple left Wednesday for Flint, Mich., where Mr. Revelle will be employed.

Their many friends wish them happiness.

Miss Flora Weeks of Farrenburg accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Revelle to Flint, Mich., and on Friday was to be married to Edgar Caruthers, formerly of this place, who is employed in Flint.

Success of the best kind is hoped for these young couples.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord and children of New Madrid were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele.

Matthews public school and the schools in Matthews Consolidated District No. 1 closed Friday, after another very successful term. The high school and eighth grade graduating exercises were Friday evening. There were nine high school graduates and forty-one eighth grade graduates. Mr. Limbaugh of Cape Girardeau gave the commencement address. This address was fine. He is an eloquent speaker and all to the occasion. Mrs. Sherman Hill, better known as Miss Dorothy, presented the diplomas with a short address. While Mrs. Hill did not talk long, what she said was greatly appreciated and all seemed to fit the occasion. For Mrs. Hill to present the high school diplomas seemed as if she was presenting to children who were a part of her, as most of these graduates were babies when Mrs. Hill taught in a little one-room school in Matthews. On all occasions she is welcomed heartily by her many friends who never tire of seeing or being with her.

William Deane, Jr., was valedictorian of the high school and was awarded a certificate or entry to several business colleges.



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A beautiful solo was sung by Miss Helen Waters. A quartet by Misses Thelma Davis and Laura Sharp and Alvin M. Maevers and Donald Story was greatly enjoyed.

Miss Irene Sutton of Matthews and Fletcher Gregory of St. Louis were quietly married in Sikeston by Rev. John Ensor, Saturday evening.

Mrs. Gregory is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Sutton, prominent farmers living west of Matthews. She was one of the nine high school graduates this year. She has a host of friends and admirers who wish her happiness all through life.

Mr. Gregory is a very promising young man and is engaged in telegraphy in St. Louis.

The many friends of this couple extend congratulations and wish them the best ever.

Canoy School closed Friday afternoon, after another very successful term. Helping make the year a complete success with a basket-dinner in the Limbaugh woods. The teachers, Mrs. Willa Alsup and Miss Mary James entertained the Seniors and their sponsor, Miss Elizabeth Brakel on this occasion. The day was most enjoyably spent. Games were played by the children and grown-ups as well. A large crowd was in attendance and everybody had a good time.

Canoy school feels very proud this year as she had nine eighth grade graduates and not half so proud as the teacher, Miss James, and the nine graduates.

The following teachers returned to their respective homes last week: Miss Thelma Davis, East Prairie; Miss Laura Sharp, New Madrid; Miss Rochel Skolsky, Marston; Miss Elizabeth Brakel, St. Louis; Miss Katherine Sackman, Cape Girardeau; Alvin Maevers, Jackson; Miss Mabel Mecklem, New Madrid.

Mr. and Mrs. Englehart will leave this week. Mr. Englehart will attend school at Columbia, while Mrs. Englehart will spend the summer in Morley with her parents. Most of the teachers will attend summer school at the Cape.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Hill and little daughter of Hayti are visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Harden returned to their home in Chicago Sunday, after a few weeks' visit with relatives in this village.

Frank Dunnam and son, Jim, of Flint, Mich., are here visiting with relatives.

NATIONAL GUARD ITEMS

Recent recruits in Company K include Albert E. Branton, Cecil A. Clark, Meredith Myers, Orville E. Nichols, Alfred J. Ozment, William D. Presson and Murray H. Sitzes. This brings the enlisted strength of the Company to seventy.

Capt. R. B. Stout, regimental Adjutant from Caruthersville, was a visitor last week.

Capt. Tanner C. Dye, Regimental Supply Officer, is in Springfield on grain business. He expects to be absent for two weeks.

Talk is commencing to be heard by the Armory mouse regarding the plans for the camp at Nevada. We leave on July 31. The mouse looks for work to follow this talk.

A detachment of the Company will participate in the Memorial Day exercises to be conducted by Henry Mel drum Post of the American Legion on next Monday.

We are proud to belong to the National Guard of Missouri which has as a member Captain Lindbergh. We will tell you nothing further about this officer, as the papers for the past week have mentioned no one aside from him.

The O. D. wool uniforms have been turned in and cotton has been issued in their stead. The supply officer has been busy recently and we will soon have back from the cleaner a large amount of cleaned clothing. Requisitions for new clothing have been sent to the U. S. Property and Disbursing Officer and Company K expects to be the best dressed organization at Camp this year.

Mrs. Nina Taylor Richardson of Reyno, Ark., visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Taylor, in Sikeston last week. She reported water all about their city, but none right close to it.

H. F. Mayes, 75 years of age, janitor of the Vanduser school, fell Friday morning and fractured his hip. He was brought to Sikeston, where Dr. T. C. McClure gave him medical attention. It is not believed the break will prove serious though Mr. Mayes was suffering severely from the shock and the setting of the hip.

The small object thought to be a doll when it was discovered floating in the Mississippi river near shore opposite Klondyke, Ky., close to Cairo, Ill., at 6 o'clock Thursday evening by D. W. Boyer and son, David, was identified today by local authorities as the 22-month-old daughter of Harold R. Hutchins, of St. Louis, who was drowned in the Mississippi River near her home on May 9.

HONOR SCHOLARS
OF HIGH SCHOOL

The following pupils were honor scholars in the Sikeston High School as announced at the close:

Kingsbury citizenship medals awarded to best all-around pupils considering scholarship, behavior, activities (athletics, music, dramatics) and personality, awarded to Harold Pittman and Margaret Whidden.

Class leaders for current year, awarded U. D. C. coins: Anna Golda Howell, senior; Alberta Grace, junior; Conley Purcell and Harold Kaufman for sophomore; Robert Strewe, freshman.

The only pupil making 100 on the final examination in geometry was Leonard Watson, football star, basketball player and track man.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S SCHOOL

On Sunday morning, May 22, the closing exercises of St. Francis Xavier's School were held at a Mass celebrated at half past nine.

A certificate was awarded to William Tesson, who finished the course of the eight grades.

Several gold medals were awarded for excellence in a number of subjects.

Miss Mildred Tesson won the medal for Catechism donated by Rt. Rev. P. P. Crane, the Vicar General of the Archdiocese. The medal for Mathematics, donated by Miss Josephine Kelleher, was awarded to Carl Schorle. Miss Mary Frances Middleton merited the medal for spelling. This was donated by Rev. P. J. Dooley. The H. C. Blanton medal for English was taken by Miss Jeanne Meunier. Miss Meunier is a niece of Mayor Fuchs.

The Robert McCusker Medal for reading was awarded to Laurence Adams. The Lindbergh Medal for geography was won by Miss Elizabeth Frank. This medal was sponsored by the Rev. J. A. Tammany, and is said to be the first awarded to an individual in honor of the world's outstanding aviator.

Miss Helen Smith, who has not

missed a day of school during the past term, won the Attendance Medal, which is the gift of the Sisters of Mercy. Awards for the year's best acolyte were made to William Tesson and Carl Schorle.

Gounod's Mass was very beautifully rendered by the choir, which is composed of the following: E. F. Schorle, Mesdames F. L. Schorle, L. B. Adams, H. C. Blanton, Minnie Bowman and the Misses Eulah Frazier, Nell Rose Kolosik and Bertha Welter.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking friends and neighbors for their aid and sympathy in the death of our babe which occurred Wednesday morning of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gentry

A plant of the Missouri Amesite Co. is being located at Cape Girardeau. The plant will cost \$70,000, and will distribute the street surfacing material in this territory. Rock from a local quarry is to be used in the manufacture of the material.

HARRY SINCLAIR GIVEN THREE MONTHS IN JAIL

Washington, May 20.—Harry F. Sinclair, wealthy oil operator, must serve three months in the District of Columbia jail for contempt of the United States Senate unless the higher courts intervene.

This sentence, plus a fine of \$500, was imposed today by Justice Hitz in the District of Columbia supreme court as a result of Sinclair's conviction by a jury of a refusal to answer certain questions in the Senate naval oil inquiry in 1924.

An appeal was noted immediately and the lessee of the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve in Wyoming was again liberated on the \$5000 bond which he gave after he was indicted nearly three years ago. The case will be fought through the United States Supreme Court and may take two years for final determination.

The punishment meted out to the well known sportsman and oil man apparently was more severe than he and his counsel had anticipated. They had hoped for the minimum sentence of one month in jail and a fine of \$100. The maximum fixed by law is 12 months and \$1000.

The man who in a brief span of years rose from obscurity to a place as one of the leading oil operators of the country faced an even more trying ordeal today than he did on the night of March 16 when 12 men returned their verdict of guilty after deliberating for nearly eight hours.

After Martin W. Littleton, of New York, who, as his attorney, advised him to defy the Senate committee, had made an eloquent plea for clemency, Sinclair was commanded by Justice Hitz to stand up. Replying to the usual question as to whether he

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May 6th

They will become past due June 1st, at which time the killing will start with all dogs that are not bearing the 1927 License Tag. Taxes on dogs are

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Walter Kendall
Chief of Police

S. N. Shepherd
Collector of Revenue

FRANCE TO RAISE REINDEER
TO AUGMENT MEAT SUPPLYEARLY ISRAELITE POTTERY
FOUND IN TWO CISTERNS

Paris, May 21.—France is about to take a leaf from Alaska's book and raise reindeer for food.

The first herd already has been shipped to Monnetier-Saleve, in the department of Savoie, and others will be experienced with in neighboring Alpine districts.

The steadily rising cost of beef and mutton, caused by the domestic shortage and the increasing necessity of importing from abroad, induced the experiment. It is pointed out that reindeer can be grown on land that is otherwise more or less unproductive and the cost of raising is no more than for ordinary livestock.

Hotel proprietors in the Alps plan to use the growing reindeer to amuse their guests in sleighing-riding and "skijoring," a form of winter sport that has grown greatly in favor recently.

Slavery has recently been abolished in the state of Kalat, Baluchistan, a dependency of India, where it has been a part of the social scheme since the Sixth Century B. C.

Of all living creatures, the hummingbird is the most elegant in form and the most brilliant in color. No stones or metals polished by our arts can be compared with the jewel of Mother Nature's, in size she has put it among the least of the bird order, but the little hummingbird is her masterpiece. Upon it she has showered gifts that she only shared among the other birds—buoyancy, quickness, nimbleness, grace and rich raiment, all belong to this little favorite. The emerald, the ruby, the topaz, all blaze in its apparel. Never does it soil itself with the dust of earth, and in its totally ethereal life one scarcely sees it touch the greenward for an instant. It is always in the air, flitting from flower to flower.

Jerusalem, Palestine, May 21.—The discovery of a rich store of early Israelite pottery of the Mizpah expedition of the Pacific School of Religion under Prof. William C. Bade, has resulted in a decision to extend the operations of the expedition into the summer.

The expedition has discovered two closed cisterns hewn out of the bed rock. The importance of the find was recognized immediately and the Governor of Jerusalem accepted an invitation to open the cisterns. They contained a rich collection of early Israelite pottery, including forms entirely new to ceramics in the near-East. Many jars and pitchers were found whole and scores of others, which were in pieces, are being assembled.

First watermelons of the season are bringing more than \$1000 a carload in Chicago. The Government Bureau of agricultural economics reported today that watermelon acreage is less plentiful than last year. At \$1000 per carload, the fruit newly arrived here from Florida is selling at the rate of \$6 to \$7 a 100 pounds.

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The De Cant Shop of Sikeston will soon be but a pleasant memory to the patrons of this up-to-the-minute ladies' ready-to-wear establishment, as Miss Jo Menner, the manager, will return to St. Louis and join her sister, Mrs. Thomas, who is the manufacturer of the lines carried by the De Cant Shop. This store was established by Mrs. De Cant and her daughter, Miss Persis, who were forced by the ill health of Mrs. De Cant to sell to Mrs. Thomas, who sent her sister down to manage same. Miss Menner has been a splendid citizen and an artist in her line and she and the De Cant Shop will be missed by shoppers for miles around. The Standard wishes Miss Menner success in whatever field she enters and hope some day that she will return to Sikeston and be one of us.

A man who had buried three wives became engaged to marry a fourth time. One day he invited the prospective number four to a drive. He drove her to a cemetery. There he pointed to a row of three neatly kept graves, marked by rather pretentious headstones. "These", said he, "are the graves of my three deceased wives. I want to show you how I still cherish the memory of my wives even after death has taken them from me". Then the man about to enter upon his fourth term as husband drove the bride-to-be to his home. After escorting her through the various rooms, he remarked—"If there is anything in any of these rooms you do not like, you can get rid of it and furnish the house throughout to suit yourself. Only one thing I do not want changed or disturbed, and that is this closet". Opening the clothes closet referred to, he exposed to view three women's hats on a shelf. "Each of these hats", he explained, "was a favorite of one of my deceased wives and I keep them as sentimental tokens of my wives. The hats are very dear to me". "I respect your sentiment", replied prospect number four, "and I assure you the hats will not be disturbed. I want to inform you, however, that the next hat that goes into that closet will be a derby".—De Soto Press.

Headline in Sunday's Globe-Democrat: "French Girls Trade Intuition for Logic".

Senator Carter M. Burford was one of the seven Democrats, who deserted the caucus and voted to confirm Dr. Enloe as head of the prison board. The fact about these bolters and the reason for their actions is gradually coming out. In Sunday Kansas City Journal Post the Jefferson City correspondent says: There are numerous cases of relatives of legislators being placed on the state payroll. Two sons of Senator Carter M. Burford of Ellington, one of the 7 Democrat senators bolted the party caucus and voted for confirmation of the Enloe board are attached to the state payroll. The state auditor approved a claim May 2 for Wilbur Burford for \$600 as a clerk for the state eleemosynary board. The salary was at the rate of \$200 a month for January, February and March while the legislature was in session. It is understood that Burford is employed by the board at one of the state hospitals. A. A. Burford is carried as a clerk in the state automobile department at \$150 a month.—Illino Jimplicite.

Local and Personal

Jenalee Sells is visiting in Matthews.

Miss Nell Gilbert is visiting in Poplar Bluff.

Mrs. W. R. Burks is visiting in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. Jas. Moccabe has gone to St. Louis to consult a specialist.

Judge Gupton of Morley was a business visitor in Sikeston, Monday.

Miss Greenough, of the St. Louis Division of the Red Cross, is in Sikeston.

Mrs. Ancil Bomer and babe of St. Louis are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman.

Mrs. D. E. Woods of St. Louis will spend the week with Mr. and Mrs. James Kevli.

Bob Anderson returned from Commerce, accompanied by his aunt, Mrs. Tillman Anderson.

Mrs. Fred Bowman and son, John Frederick, Jr., are visiting relatives in Cape Girardeau.

Miss Letta Todd of Palmyra, Mo., is the guest of Mrs. E. E. Arterburn and Miss Ruby Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson were in Poplar Bluff, Sunday.

Mrs. A. B. Proffer was called to Dexter Sunday on account of the serious illness of her mother.

E. W. Davis of this city is quite all at home from heart trouble. He is reported some improved on Monday morning.

The Young Women's Missionary Circle of the Christian Church will meet with Mrs. Moore Greer Wednesday night.

The Cape Girardeau D. A. R. has invited the Sikeston Chapter to a meeting at the Country Club Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Ruskin Cook and Miss Mary Beth Wright returned to St. Louis Sunday after a visit with Mrs. Maude Stubbs and family.

Mrs. John Fox and Miss Rebecca Pierce will go to St. Louis for the W. A. Convention to be held at the Statler Hotel Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Dorothy Lillard returned to her home in Arlington, Ky., Saturday, accompanied by G. B. Greer, Jr., and Bill Van Horne, who will visit in Arlington for a week.

The ladies of the Christian church will meet Thursday afternoon to organize a Missionary Society. The ladies of the Matthews' Christian church are invited to attend the meeting.

Mary Washington, a 11-year-old colored girl living near Canalou on X. Caverne's farm, found a dynamite cap in a closet and not knowing the dangerous quality of same, proceeded to scratch it with a knife, when it exploded, injuring both of her hands. This occurred Thursday of last week. Dr. T. C. McClure is attending the case and says she will be o. k. soon.

Among the Cape Girardeau visitors Sunday, were: Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Stallup, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Coleman, Miss Pauline Moore of Charleston, Dr. H. E. Reuber, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews and children, John Tanner Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Sensenbenger, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Randol Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher.

Quite a crowd went to Birds Point last Wednesday evening to go on the Steamer Capitol excursion, but on account of the high wind and threatening clouds the boat remained at the Point, where the following Sikeston folks enjoyed the dancing on the boat: Misses Lillian and Louise Shields, Francoise Black, Martha Gresham, Nel and Ruth Gilbert, Thelma Carson, Charles Hebbeler, Prof. Graneman, Jack Stubbs, Mort Griffith, Albert Bruton, Joe Albright, Bill Baker, Byron Crain, Hildreth Dill, Bill Smith, Billy Walker, Mr. and Mrs. V. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Jennings.

Chas. I. Noble is on the sick list. Miss Lillian Shields has been ill with fever the last few days.

Mesdames E. E. Hudson and Robert Law spent Saturday in Cairo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson entertained at bridge Friday evening.

Mesdames Robert Law and E. E. Hudson were in Poplar Bluff, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Freeman and children of Wyatt spent Sunday in Sikeston.

Charles Allen Cook is celebrating the beginning of vacation with chills and fever.

Miss Mildred Bowman and Mrs. Milem Limbaugh were in Cape Girardeau, Monday.

Mesdames W. Wilkerson, James Kevil and A. C. Sikes spent Saturday in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Arterburn and babe, Linda Lou, have returned from a visit to Rocheport, Mo.

Miss Francoise Black entertained with a bunting party Friday night in honor of Miss Catherine Blanton.

Miss Hallie Allen of Sullivan, Ill., returned to her home Monday, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen.

Harry C. Blanton delivered the Commencement address to the graduates of the Fornfelt High School on Friday evening. There were sixteen in the graduating class.

Mr. and Mrs. John Joe Russell have gone to Charleston for a visit with homefolks before leaving for their new home in Little Rock, Ark. John Joe will be connected with the State Highway.

Mrs. Chas. D. Matthews, Jr., will entertain Wednesday afternoon at the Cape Girardeau Country Club in honor of Miss Dorothy Alexander, who is to be married next month to Dave Thompson of Caruthersville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Fields, 124 S. Prairie Avenue, have as their guest, their cousin, Miss Marie Trevathan, of Arlington, Ky. She was a graduate of St. Francis Xavier School, 1926 and come over for the closing of school this year.

It was a wonderful feat that Capt. Lindbergh of the Missouri National accomplished in the non-stop flight to the French capital—Paris. The United States should be proud of the man who made the wonderful flight, and the first of the kind.

A card received by Jesse Hamby Monday morning from Waco, Texas, told of the approaching marriage of his sister, Miss Pearl Hamby, to Alfonso Novak, which will take place Thursday evening of this week at the home of an aunt, Mrs. T. H. Scales. Friends in Sikeston extend congratulations.

There are some cases of smallpox in Scott County and Dr. U. P. Haw of Benton, county physician, advises that everyone who has not been vaccinated in the last seven years for smallpox should do so at once. Persons in flood areas will be vaccinated free. Call on your home physician and get smallpox shots.—Benton Democrat.

Mrs. W. A. Haman, delegate to the State Rebekah Association and Mrs. C. C. White, Past President, left Monday morning for St. Louis, to attend the State Convention. They were joined in Cape Girardeau by Mrs. Arthur Gerhart, representative from that district. Mr. White accompanied them as far as St. Louis, where he left for Hannibal to attend the Lions' Convention. He will return to St. Louis Thursday to attend the Odd Fellows' Grand Lodge.

Mrs. C. H. Denman entertained with a theatre party Monday evening in honor of her daughters, Mrs. Ancil Bomer of St. Louis and Mrs. Carl Denman of Chicago. After the show they went to the Japanese Tea Room for light refreshments. The following guests were invited: Mesdames J. H. Galeener, Arch Galeener, Ben Matthews, Milem Limbaugh, Wilbur Ensor, Misses Mildred Stubblefield, Lottie Dover, Francoise Black, Catherine Blanton, Mildred Bowman, Van Etna Welman of Cape Girardeau, Lillian Shields and Annett Smith.

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FARMERS EXPECT BIG
CROPS THIS SEASON

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mow and family were Dexter visitors, Sunday.

In wealth per capita, Canada is surpassed only by Great Britain and the United States.

Glen Keller, wire chief of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, left Monday for St. Louis, where he will spend two weeks attending Supervisor Special Training School.

Jett J. West and family of Carterville, Ill., visited the family of Mrs. West's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Davis the latter part of the week. The Standard acknowledges a pleasant call from Mr. West.

The federal parole board has recommended that Warren T. McCray, former governor of Indiana, sentenced to the Atlanta penitentiary for 10 years, be paroled in August when he becomes eligible for that clemency.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cunningham and two children of Sikeston, drove over from Poplar Bluff, Sunday, where they had been viewing the results of the tornado, and spent few hours with Campbell friends—Campbell Citizen.

There is no illegitimacy for a blameless child in Russia. We may not agree with everything they do in Russia, but we must agree this is fair.

The mother registers the birth and gives the name of the child's father. If he is her husband or another woman's husband if he is single or married, he remains in the sight of the law the father until he can prove that he is not. This is simpler and fairer than our "civilized" system of labeling children legitimate and illegitimate, and our chivalrous method of making a woman prove that a man is her child's father rather than making him prove that he is not.

Mrs. Amanda E. Mason, mother of C. F., James A. and George E. Mason, prominent Tacomans, and the widow of the late Howell M. Mason, died on Monday, last, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Hampe, 236 Broadway. Mrs. Mason was 90 years old and had been a resident of Tacoma for 20 years, coming from St. Louis.

Mrs. Mason, who was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Americus Gasaway, pioneer residents of Southern Illinois, was born in 1837. The family home at that time was in Williamson County, near Gen. Logan's home.

She was a member of Trinity M. E. Church and Custer Post, Women's Relief Corps.

She leaves besides her sons, four daughters, Mrs. Lou Greer, Mrs. Anna Rohrscheib and Mrs. Nellie Hampe of Tacoma and Mrs. Mollie A. Griffin of Montana, thirty grandchildren and thirty-four great-grandchildren.

the western half, but a ridge running through the county along the Frisco railroad was not covered except that the water crossed over to the Little River district at Lilburn, causing considerable of a wash.

The western part of Pemiscot county received this water crossing from the Mississippi at Lilburn, going south by the Little River, causing overflow in the western half of New Madrid, eastern part of Stoddard, western part of Pemiscot and eastern part of Dunklin. The western part of Stoddard and eastern part of Butler and western part of Dunklin counties were overflowed by the St. Francis river many times. Some damage occurred in Butler county from several overflows of the Black River.

"Outside of emergency requirements, seed for this year seems to be enough to meet all requirements outside of probably some seed corn in Dunklin, but Sudan and seed for forage crops are short. It is expected that planting cotton will continue later than the ordinary year and the same is true of corn and various other crops. Extension workers from the college are devoting a large part of their time in assisting farmers of the overflowed area.

"The first overflows have disappeared mainly in the territory except that there is standing water in the southern part of Mississippi County which depends upon the lowering of the Mississippi river so that the levee flood gates can be opened. The river has been rising slightly and may continue at about the same stage for some time as the Missouri river is delivering a heavy volume of water.

This will delay planting in Mississippi and New Madrid counties." "For immediate relief under these two items, the Red Cross has allotted \$75,000 and local agents are rapidly distributing feed and seed in emergency cases. Outside help was thought not to be needed for Butler, Cape Girardeau and Ripley counties, as their overflowed acreage was small. The overflow in Perry and Cape Girardeau counties was from the Mississippi river above the main break in the levee.

"Ten counties of Southeast Missouri were affected by overflows—Butler and Ripley counties by the Black river, but not from the Mississippi—and the damage in the other eight was from the break of the Dorena levee. The greatest damage occurred in Mississippi, New Madrid, Dunklin and Pemiscot counties. The loss of livestock was 1000 head of horses and mules, slight loss of cattle, considerable number of hogs and a large amount of poultry; also much destruction of tenant houses, barns and fences.

"Fishermen of the north Pacific Coast have established a new industry in obtaining pearl essence from the scales of herring, sardines and shad. The substance extracted from waste fish is known as guan, and is used in the manufacture of artificial pearls.

"When the wife of the sheriff of Marshall County, Alabama, transferred three prisoners from the county jail to a hospital while she tidied up their cells, they made their escape from a window on the third floor, using a rope made of blankets and anchored to an operating table.

"Bathubs as an accident cause are more than twice as deadly as stepladders, according to a recent annual analysis made by an Illinois insurance company.

"Umbrellas as a mark of elegance rather than a protection against sun or rain have been adopted by natives of French West Africa, according to the governor. Every native aspires to own at least one umbrella.

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HIGHWAY OFFICIALS
VISIT CAPE COUNTY

Last Thursday afternoon a party of highway officials spent some time in or around Jackson, consisting of T. H. Cutler, chief engineer, L. T. Powers, engineer of surveys and plans, both of Jefferson City, Division Engineer Cleland and Mr. Francisco of the Sikeston office. Jackson people had been advised from Sikeston that officials would be here for a conference, and arrangements were made for holding the same at the court house, but it did not materialize. The officials learned on arriving here that both Messrs. Goodwin and Kasten, township commissioners, were out of town, and they did not go to the court house, although Kasten and R. L. Medley had returned to town from a tour of inspecting roads.

Before going to Cape Girardeau they called at this office and the problem of No. 61 and No. 25 were discussed. From here the party went to Cape Girardeau, where a conference was held, after which they proceeded to Sikeston.

Cape Girardeau is very anxious to have No. 61 built. Byrd township stands pat on the proposition that the agreement last reached that No. 25 be built from below town to the Cape-Gordonville crossing must be carried out before thousands are spent for right-of-way for No. 61 without that assurance. A result may be that the commission will agree to build the ten miles in Cape township from the present paved section south of Cape Girardeau to Byrd township and then use the balance of the allotted money to build the stretch between Farmington and Esther.

Mr. Cutler promised to give earnest consideration to the suggestion to spend the \$43,000 of secondary road money in grading No. 25 north of Gordonville, but whether it will bear any fruit remains to be seen. He stated that those bad places at the new bridges on No. 61 south of Farmington would be in first class shape in another week.

If No. 61 is not built through Byrd township for some years to come it will not inconvenience the traveling public, as we have a good road which is passable every day in the year, and Jackson will welcome people passing through it.—Jackson Post.

66 CONGRESSMEN FAVOR, 29
AGAINST SPECIAL SESSION

Kansas City, May 19.—A new and complete compilation of the sentiment of Senators and members of Congress on Senator Reed's proposal for a special session of Congress for flood relief last night disclosed that 86 favored the session and 29 opposed it. Fifteen Representatives were reported abroad, and three did not express an opinion.

Of the 86 for the session, 11 are Republicans, 73 Democrats, and two Socialists. Twenty-three of the 29 opposed are Republicans and six Democrats.

Representatives and Senators from 38 States had been heard from last night. Five additional replies were received yesterday. Representatives Thomas Doyle (Rep.) of Illinois, and H. H. Peavey (Rep.) of Wisconsin favored a session, while Representatives Harry M. Wurzbach (Rep.) of Texas, Homer Hoch (Rep.) of Kansas, and John C. Ketcham (Rep.) of Michigan, expressed opposition.

HISTORICAL HOME OF
OLD SAM HILDEBRAND

The old Sam Hildebrand home near Bonne Terre has recently been opened as a resort and houses many historical articles connected with Hildebrand. The Farmington News says:

ANDREWS RESIGNS AS
PROHIBITION CHIEF

Washington, May 20.—Lincoln C. Andrews, assistant secretary of the Treasury in charge of prohibition enforcement, has resigned, effective August 1, and Seymour Lowman, former Lieutenant-Governor of New York, will succeed him.

The announcement, made at the Treasury late today, was accompanied by the statement that James M. Doran, Prohibition Bureau chemist, had been appointed prohibition commissioner. He succeeds Roy A. Haynes who has been acting commissioner for several months.

A strenuous fight for the appointment of Haynes as permanent commissioner was made by the Anti-saloon League. He had the inside track but last night it was apparent that he had been eliminated from the race. J. D. Pennington, administrator of the Pittsburgh district, and E. C. Yelllowley, administrator of the Chicago district, were considered strong contenders today. Lowman, mentioned for the place, dropped down in the list of favorites with the report that former Senator Wadsworth had given him only a perfunctory recommendation.

Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel and legislative superintendent of the Anti-saloon League, conducted an uncompromising fight for Haynes.

The league last night sent a "reminder" to President Coolidge, which, while not mentioning Haynes' name, asserted that the league's Executive Committee had confirmed "the policy heretofore stated, urging the appointment of a commissioner of prohibition who is in sympathy with the law he will be called upon to enforce, who is capable of performing the duties of his office and who has had adequate experience in prohibition work".

The sting of the ultimatum was in the last paragraph, which stated that the Executive Committee had resolved, furthermore, "that President Coolidge and Secretary Mellon be respectfully reminded of the unmistakable understanding that was had in the passage of the reorganization bill, that the commissioner of prohibition would be entirely free and unhampered in the performance of his duties".

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE
TO SPEND \$1,500,000

Washington, May 20.—The executive committee of the Anti-Saloon League announced today that \$1,500,000 would be spent by the league during the next two years on a "dry" campaign that will strike at every wet candidate and at every effort to repeal or nullify the existing prohibition laws.

"This means that a strenuous campaign will be waged against Gov. Al Smith, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Gov. Ritchie and Senator Reed of Missouri, and any candidate in any party who does not stand four square on prohibition" the formal announcement of the committee declared.

"We believe that such a program is the best answer the Anti-Saloon League can make to the efforts of the wet who are seeking to curb our activities by stopping financial support of our friends", Dr. F. Scott McBride, general superintendent of the league said. "Instead of laying down, we are doubling our efforts".

McBride's statement that some financial support had been withdrawn from advocates of prohibition was the

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first public admission by the league that the efforts of anti-prohibitionists had been effective. There have been rumors for some time that revenue has not been coming into the league as copiously as it did several years ago.

"Under the announced plans a special supplemental campaign fund of \$500,000 is to be collected during the next two years to augment the league's political, educational and publicity work". The announcement continued. "Three hundred thousand dollars a year for two years will be asked for this work, the extended program to be exclusive of all programs already initiated.

"At present the budget of the National Anti-Saloon League amounts to \$450,000 per year. The special supplemental campaign will increase this budget to \$750,000 a year for the next two years".

"The main goal of the league's activities, however, will be to prevent the repeal or nullification of the 18th Amendment and the Volstead act and to prevent the nomination and election of wet candidate for President, Congress and other offices", said a statement issued by the committee.

"A determined fight will be made against any candidate for any party who has a wet record or favors the repeal or nullification of prohibition, and all candidates favoring enforcement of the prohibition laws will be strongly supported.

"A strenuous campaign will be waged against Gov. Al Smith, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Gov. Ritchie and Senator Reed of Missouri and any other candidate in any party who does not stand four square on prohibition".

DID YOU MEET THE LADY
WHEN SHE VISITED HERE?

Possibly six weeks ago a handsome young lady was in Sikeston soliciting aid for an orphan home in Kansas City and taking subscriptions for "Mother's Appeal", the organ of the institution. She was a wonderful conversationalist and certainly could not complain about Sikeston men being cold-blooded towards charity. Now after reading the article attached below, published in the Ste. Genevieve Herald, we wonder if the lady mentioned there was the same who visited Sikeston and if so, whether "spotting" was a side line or her principal occupation. Here is what the Herald said:

"Like a bolt from a clear sky eight automobiles loaded with federal prohibition agents under James Dillon of St. Louis, practically the entire enforcement squad, including stool-pigeons and one woman agent, drove into Ste. Genevieve over No. 25 at about 6:30 p. m. last Saturday and pulled off a wholesale raid in which ten arrests were made, four of whom returned with the agents, the others reporting in St. Louis Monday. Dillon and the woman occupied the first car and as the caravan proceeded through town she signalled to the men in the next car behind, pointing out the places to be raided. The plan worked like clockwork and in a very short time all sections of town were covered. This woman had been in Ste. Genevieve since about April first soliciting "alms" for an orphanage in Kansas City and selling subscriptions to the "Mother's Appeal", 114 Gibraltar

Bldg., Kansas City. As she made her rounds soliciting subscriptions she wormed information from unsuspecting people and otherwise posted herself as to where wet goods could be obtained and no doubt put the enforcement officers "wise" as to what was being done here. She is said to be an employee in Dillon's office in St. Louis. Although more than a month has elapsed, we are unable to find anyone who has so far received a copy of the "Mother's Appeal". According to the St. Louis newspapers Dillon is credited with reporting that undercover agents had purchased liquor at the places raided".

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now marring Germany's record will be removed. Though the committee could not reach a full accord on the rights and wrongs in the matter of the Kaiser's forces invading Belgium, it agreed the army's treatment of Belgian citizens was correct, since the civilians organized armed resistance against German soldiers, and, therefore, were the violators of the Hague pact and not entitled to treatment other than as enemies. Deportations of about 100,000 Belgians to Germany for service in Reich's munition and other factories are believed unjust by a minority of the committee, while the majority was not willing to give snap judgment and desires more time for consideration. All are agreed the incidents in carrying out deportation were not strictly according to Hoyle. Since the submarine warfare was conducted as a reprisal against the English blockade, both limited and unlimited was justified, and, therefore, not listed as a transgression of The Hague international agreement on warfare were explained by the German committee as "necessary reprisals."

Taken as a whole, Germany's war conduct was beyond reproach, the committee decided, and only a very close examination can find trace of foul spots on the whitewash spread thickly over gas warfare, submarine activities, prison camps, deportation of Belgian workers, aerial warfare and destruction of property by retreating armies. The work was hampered, ex-Minister Bell, chairman of the Investigation Committee, stated, by the failure of the allies to supply them with exhaustive material, but it is hoped when the actions of the enemies are fully known the few specks

The investigation also disclosed the gas warfare conducted by the Fatherland under The Hague rules was justified. The dreaded chlorine and cyanide was not used until after the French violated The Hague pact and opened the way for another German reprisal.

No army acted within the letter of law in handling of prisoners at the front, but in the camps Germany played square, it was found. The fact prisoners often failed to eat regularly was due to the English blockade and not German oppression. Spotted typhus was treated to the best ability of the hospital corps. These much motted abuses were found groundless, according to the investigation.

On account of the allies' misuse of hospital ship flags and hospital ships mistakes occurred but only occasionally. In making her retreat the German army cannot be accused of wanton destruction and even in the wrecking of the French and Belgian mines during the 1918 retreat the greatest care was taken to disable them only to the extent of rendering them useless for another year, the officers estimating fighting would continue for that length of time. Dr. Schnee, former colonial governor, characterizes the document as another step toward showing Germany is innocent of starting the war as hinted in some quarters. The debate on the report brought forth the most severe criticism by the Socialists and Communists, especially the deportation of Belgian workers which these parties say was instigated by the big industrialists in order to wring a few more marks from the toilers.

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JOSEPHINE'S MALMAISON ADDED TO BY AMERICANS

Spring stirrings were beginning to disturb the desolation of a French winter on that March day of 1815, when Napoleon left the cheering throngs in Paris and came to Malmaison. The Little Corporal, fresh from Elba and flushed with the first triumphs of the Hundred Days, paced the walks in the gardens at Croissy, faint sorrow showing in his glance about the estate.

"Poor Josephine!" he murmured. "At every corner of these walks I expect to meet her."

And so it is today for the visitor who lingers in the gardens of Malmaison, almost be called "Josephine Museum", by the French government. It might almost be called "Josephine's museum", for a great part of the objects preserved in the chateau are associated with her—things that the great Napoleon provided for his wife. It is always of unfailing interest to the Americans who go there.

But this year Malmaison will have an added interest for Americans, since the grounds have been increased to nearly four times their former size by the gift of an American couple, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tuck, who live at Vert-Mont, a magnificent country home nearby. The estate which the Tuks have given is known as Bois-Preau, and was the last of the additions Josephine and Napoleon made to the Malmaison home. In addition to the land and buildings, Mr. and Mrs. Tuck have provided a fund of one-half million francs for the government to use in maintaining the place.

French authorities intend using the chateau at Bois-Preau to house many of the Napoleonic treasures now crowding Malmaison, and the two estates, separated by a public road, will be joined by a foot bridge.

Josephine's acquisition of Bois-Preau was the consummation of her dreams about Malmaison, as well as the last thing in which she and Napoleon shared. He divorced her just at the time, an act dictated not by his heart but by ambition and the desire for a royal heir. The desertion by divorce was in his mind until the end and his dying words were, "Josephine, Josephine!" That March day when he wandered through the gardens tribute to her was on his lips: "She had weakness, no doubt", mused the emperor, "but she would never have abandoned me!"

Love of Malmaison was born in Josephine's heart long before the days of Napoleon; even before the bloody Revolution. She had married De Beauharnais at Croissy and mothered two children of his before deciding to leave the older man who tormented her life with his flirtations. Her refuge was in Croissy and the deserted grounds of Malmaison provided an excellent place for the children to play in grateful shade while she rested.

But Malmaison, owned then by Leconte de Maloy, Parisian man of wealth, came back to life. It was no longer open to Josephine after De Maloy moved in to entertain celebrities such as the poet Delille and painter Le Brun, a fact that led her to the decision that a garden of her own must be found for the children, something that was close to impossible since the alimony she received from De Beauharnais was infrequent. So she sailed for her home in Martinique to realize on the property in her name there.

On her return Josephine again went to Croissy to live with a Mme. Hosten, not far from Malmaison. The revolution was in the air, and fortunately the charming Mme. De Beauharnais met many of those who were to be leaders in the bloody movement. They rescued her from prison later, when she had gone to Paris in an attempt to save her sister-in-law. But they beheaded her and divorced husband and Josephine fled again to Croissy, seeking refuge from the maddened mobs of Paris. Her fortunes prospered and she returned to the capital city when danger was past.

There, in Paris, she met Napoleon and their quick love blossomed into marriage within a few months. He was gone to Italy and returned, famous, in search of a country home—not one of the revolution's confiscated houses, but one that he could buy outright. The answer, Josephine told him, was Malmaison, which Lecouleux would sell for \$60,000.

But that was too much; the highest Napoleon would go was \$50,000, and there matters stood when he set out on his Egyptian campaign. While he was gone Josephine arranged terms for Malmaison, \$30,000 in cash and the remainder of Napoleon's price by mortgage. She was determined to have the place and spent \$7000 of her own money to buy furniture, borrowed another \$3000 from an agent and obtained an option on the estate, waiting for Napoleon to return. While she waited the net of finances drew her into scandal along with a group of undesirables in connection with army contract graft.

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ies as a residence. But the palaces of kings bore the future emperor, and Malmaison became the headquarters as well as the home. Napoleon established an "office" in a building apart from the "home", an English word that took his fancy. There came officials and others from Paris, traveling out the high road from the capital to St. Germaine which passes thru Croissy. Days he worked industriously while his Josephine entertained, and at night they were together, receiving distinguished visitors in an atmosphere of brilliant society.

The bounds of Malmaison grew amazingly. Josephine had a passion for land owning and soon the estate encompassed about eight square miles; everything in sight but Bois-Preau, which was directly in front of the chateau and a bar to communication with the neighboring village of Rueil. The owner, an old maid named Julianne, was steadfast in her refusal to sell. The power of an emperor's wife and a handsome profit were both unavailing in her sight, and it was not until after her death that Josephine could purchase it from the estate administrators, which was in 1810.

The price paid for Bois-Preau was

more than twice the figure Napoleon told Josephine he thought it to be worth, and it was no sooner obtained than the emperor's wife found herself a widow, this time through her husband's suit. She consoled herself with the fanciful gardens of Malmaison, directing her attention to Bois-Preau, where a library was established in the chateau and rosebuds and pathways laid out. It was all very easy, for the government had maintained her in the rank of imperatrice, granting an annuity of two million francs.

But Josephine did not live long to enjoy the added attractions of Bois-Preau, for she died in 1814, one month after Napoleon had been banished to Elba.

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